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	12.40 „		Non Stop
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Kowloon ..... dep.	6.41	7.10	8.35	9.15	10.28	12.00	1.18	2.52	4.34	5.27	7.09
Yaumati ..... dep.	6.51	7.18	...	9.25	10.38	12.09	1.27	3.01	4.43	5.37	7.20
Shatin ..... dep.	7.03		...	9.38	10.50	12.21	1.39	3.13	4.55	5.50	7.32
Taipo ..... dep.	7.17		9.02	9.52	11.03	12.34	1.52	3.26	5.08	6.03	7.45
Taipo Market ... dep.	7.22		...	9.57	11.08	12.38	1.56	3.30	5.12	6.07	7.49
Fanling ..... dep.	7.33		...	10.08	11.19	12.48	2.06	3.40	5.23	6.17	7.59
Sheung Shui ... dep.	7.38		9.13	10.13	11.23	12.52	2.10	3.44	5.27	6.21	8.03
Shum Chun ..... arr.	7.44		9.19	10.19	11.29	12.58	2.16	3.50	5.33	6.27	8.09
Shek Lung ..... arr.	...		...	2.22	...	4.38	...	..	...	...	...
Canton ..... arr.	...		...	5.04	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

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TWO PROTESTS.

[ASIATIC NEWS AGENCY.]

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Miss Chiang Chin-yin, a girl of eighteen, with high school education, has inserted an advertisement in the Chinese Press declaring her non-recognition of her betrothal agreement made by her parents with the father of a young man named Hsiung Pao-chi. Miss Chiang announces that the matrimonial arrangement was made during her infancy and she will not endorse it. She asks all her relatives and friends to take note that, as the betrothal had been arranged without her concurrence, she declares it to be null and void. This rare advertisement is regarded as an indication of the rapid growth of feminine power in China, and it shows it is necessary that there should be a modification of the existing Chinese marriage system.

There is another case which indicates that the present Chinese matrimonial customs are very harmful to the young generation of China. The chief of the middle school at Chingchowfu, Shantung, reports that on the night of the 25th November, Wong Teh-hsu, a student twenty-two years old, was found dead on the school premises, his body being fearfully mutilated. Two autograph letters were in the pocket of the deceased. One was addressed to the chief of the school; the other to his wife. From the latter it appears that the young man was so dissatisfied with his wife, that he determined to end his own miserable existence, by burning himself with kerosine oil and then by hanging. The letter addressed to the deceased man's wife reads:

"I was married to you by order of my late parents without my previous consent or approval, so that our married life has been one of misery and quarrel, without a single day's happiness during the last four years. During the period of four years, I have been repeatedly insulted and ill-treated by you, even in the presence of our relatives and friends, and as I have no intention to drag along my miserable life with you, I hereby divorce you with my own autograph letter."

The letter addressed to the chief of the high school said:

"On account of family troubles, I have made up my mind to commit suicide by burning and hanging. My remains must be cremated by fire and the ashes be thrown into the river of Chingchow in different directions so that my ghost might not return to my hated home. My property must be turned over to my own elder brother at Jungchenhsien and I do not want my brother or any relative to give me an adopted son. My death has nothing to do with any body else, because I am neither a debtor nor a creditor and my own weakness, which has been entirely caused by a bad and unsuitable marriage, prompted me to end my miserable and unhappy life with my own hands."

BANDITRY IN SHANTUNG.

ALLEGED INSTIGATION BY CATHOLIC CONVERTS.

A Chinese news agency say "it is generally believed that the recent capture by bandits of a French missionary in Shantung was instigated by some ambitious Catholic converts who have been trying to secure employment on the Kiaochow-Tsinan railway." The people in Changyi, the news agency says, have addressed a petition to the Civil Governor at Tsinan expressing their regret that the unfortunate incident happened in their district. The petition points out definitely that some notorious native converts are at the back of the whole matter. "We, the people of the district, can furnish unmistakable evidence to the plots and intrigues of these so-called converts," continues the petition, "and during the past few months the Tsingtau customs authorities discovered many cases of arm smuggling by foreigners and natives. There have been many, many cases of successful arms smuggling, which have not come into the notice of the authorities. To whom do these smugglers sell their contraband, if not to the bandits of Shantung and elsewhere? Therefore if the Government does not make these smugglers of fire-arms responsible for the capture of foreign missionaries, nor provide means to check future smuggling, there will be no peace and order in the province."

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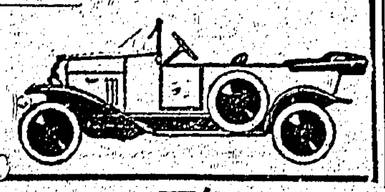

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The occasion of our meeting here to-night is a very happy one because we are here to bid "Welcome home" to our old friends after they have made a long tour in Australia with wonderful success, not so much in their play as in their popularity with the people there. In my opinion, the real winner in International Sports is the one who has been successful in creating better feeling and cultivating better understanding between the peoples of different countries. Not long before the arrival of our guests at Hongkong, considerable agitation was aroused by the publication of the protests made in the names of the two Northern players of the team, Messrs. Wang and Shen, who came back about a month ago owing to their disagreement with the Australian Tours, Ltd. The question of exploitation for private ends and some other minor questions have been more or less explained by Mr. Mok Hing through the local papers which I suppose you have read. I think it is not out of place here for me, as Hon. Secretary of the Association at the time the team left for Australia, to tell you the part played by the S.C.A.A. in connection with the tour. In the absence of a Central Athletic Organization in China, the Contest Committee for China of the Sixth Far Eastern Olympic Games had assumed responsibility for acceptance of the invitation from the Commonwealth Soccer Association when it was brought to China by its representative, Mr. Millard, the authenticity of whose mission, Dr. Gray, the Hon. Secretary of the Contests Committee I just referred to, wrote as follows: "Mr. Millard has the best of credentials and is in every way a reputable person to deal with. He has the backing of his Government and the Australian Trade Commissioner in Shanghai."

When we had gained a good knowledge of the project, which we did not have until Mr. Millard came down to Hongkong about ten days before the departure of the team, we spared no effort to help make it a success, and, with the co-operation of our generous friends and supporters, our appeal for funds received a ready response. Within a short time, a sum amounting to nearly $4,000 was subscribed. This was not sufficient, and the balance had to be paid out of the Association funds. Some may say that we could very well let our men go without making an Association affair of it, and in that case no loss and no trouble would have been incurred by us. This argument appears to be quite right, but at that time the project was bound to fall through if the S.C.A.A. did not take it up. If it did fall through China, and this Association in particular, would have been blamed. In taking it up we had to see to it that the object of the tour would not be defeated by sending the best team and by enabling the players to give a good show on and off the field. It is really regrettable that a good deal of trouble and misunderstanding has arisen, most of which could have been avoided if there had been a proper Central Athletic Organisation in China. Before I sit down, I wish to thank all our guests here on behalf of the Chairman and the Committee of the S.C.A.A. for the honour you have done us in accepting our invitation to this dinner.

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R.G.A. v. Kowloon, Sookunpoo "A" ground at 4 p.m.

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Kick-off at 4.15 p.m.

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UNIVERSITY 1ST XI. v. I.R.C. 1ST XI.

The following will represent the University 1st XI. in a friendly match against the I.R.C. 1st XI. to be played at Home on Saturday, the 15th inst., at 2.15 p.m. sharp:—A. A. Rumjahn (capt.), H. N. Balhatchet, E. K. Quick, M. H. Roffey, A. S. Hett, W. M. Gittins, T. O. Yeow, M. B. Osman, C. A. Peterson, S. Hachinma, and B. P. Ng.

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In this match on the latter's ground on Saturday at 2.15 p.m. the University team will be composed of J. L. Youngsaye (capt.), D. Laing, H. Y. Lam, H. Y. Leong, A. T. Barma, M. A. Kyum, A. Hoalim, C. W. Lam, H. Hunt, W. H. Sling, and V. F. R. Viccajee.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE ISSUE AT TO-DAY'S MEETING.

We understand that the resolution to be submitted to the extraordinary general meeting of the members of the Hongkong Jockey Club this evening is intended to confine racing to China ponies, as that term has hitherto been understood, and to exclude half-bred Russian ponies from competing with them. The resolution emanates from twenty-five small owners representing a large proportion of the local stables, who, while quite willing to compete with the stables of the larger owners in a sporting spirit, as hitherto, feel that it would be unfair if ponies of a greater size and stamina were introduced. Such ponies, it is pointed out, have been excluded from the Shanghai races, and the view is taken that Hongkong should not be the dumping ground of these rejected animals. The object of the extraordinary meeting is solely to decide this question and the promoters of the resolution have no intention of combining in any way to influence the proceedings at the ordinary general meeting.

HONGKONG CLUB.

THE NEW SECRETARY.

The following appeared in the October issue of the Royal Army Ordnance Corps *Gazette*:—

Those of our readers who know the Far East, and Hongkong in particular, will be interested to learn that the Secretaryship of the famous Club, which is one of the features of that popular station has been offered to and accepted by Lieut.-Colonel T. A. Roberston, O.B.E., D.C.M., late R.A.O.C., and that he left England to take up his new duties in the early part of this month.

"Tommy" Robertson served long enough in the Corps to make for himself a host of friends, and he will be no stranger to the scene of his future labours. It was in 1912 that he arrived in the Colony for an ordinary tour of duty, and the outbreak of the Great War found him still at that station. One after another the Administrative Officers were withdrawn for service elsewhere, until Robertson found himself C.O.O. and sole representative of the Ordinance Service in that far-flung outpost. There he remained until the preparations for the campaign in Eastern Siberia assumed proportions calling for the services of an Ordinance Officer of experience, when he proceeded to Vladivostok and assumed the duties of D.A.D.O.S.

The Hongkong Club has often been characterised as the finest institution of its kind in the Far East, and its Members are to be congratulated on having secured such a good all-round organiser to control its destinies. Moreover, any representative of the Corps "lucky" enough to be posted to Hongkong in the future, can be assured of a cheery welcome from one who, whether at work or play, never failed to give of his best."

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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

LECTURE AT THE CITY HALL.

At the City Hall last evening Mr. Frank H. Leonard, C.S.B., of Chicago, Member of the Board of Lectureship of The Mother Church, First Church of Christ, Scientist in Boston, Massachusetts, delivered a free lecture on Christian Science. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard presided over the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said: The purpose of this lecture is to present the subject of Christian Science correctly, and to bear testimony to the facts regarding the life and work of its Discoverer and Founder, Mary Baker Eddy. The lecturer is Mr. Frank H. Leonard, C.S.B. of Chicago, Illinois, a member of the Board of Lectureship of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts. When Christian Science was first presented to me I found it difficult to understand and wondered how so many people could really believe in what I thought it taught. But on closer investigation it became apparent to me that it was not Christian Science but my wrong conception of it that had made it appear difficult, and I also learnt that the healing of sin and disease is the natural and logical effect of an understanding of the truth about God and man revealed in Christian Science. I hope that the explanation of Christian Science this afternoon will enable you to gain a clearer idea of what it is, and why it is bringing health and happiness to the homes of a large and ever-growing number of people in the world to-day.

Mr. LEONARD in the course of his lecture said: Every one who has ever even heard of the teachings of the Bible wants to believe them true. There has never been a time in the history of the world when there was greater need for proof of their truth than to-day. Christian Science stands more than any modern teaching ever has done as this proof. The name which Mrs. Eddy gave to her discovery "Christian Science" means simply that the works of our Master are always true and therefore always may be done if we really believe on him, for he said, "He that believeth on me the works that I do shall he do also." It therefore offers the world what it has never had since the third century, i.e., that spiritual conception of God which enables us to worship Him in "spirit and in truth," and so regain man's birthright and heritage of dominion over "The world, the flesh and all evil."

Christian Science is not predicated upon a few passages in the Bible. It is based upon the Bible from the first word in the first chapter of Genesis to the last word in the last chapter of Revelations, and when we study the Bible with the aid of the Text-book "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, we will find in the Bible nothing which can be said to be contradictory, for all these things are cleared up, and the Bible becomes one great glorious theme about the infinity of God, in Whom we can trust, and in Whom we live and move and have our being.

We worship only God, and we adore His Son, our Lord and Master, and Mrs. Eddy we love with a love and a reverential respect that mere language is utterly inadequate to express. We love her for what she has given to us. There never was in this world a meeker, humbler disciple of our Lord and Master than Mrs. Eddy. Capable of having a world-wide adulation and all the things that the world thinks of, for twenty-five years she shut herself away in her quiet home, from all of these things of the world, just that studying the Bible and gaining more of the spirit of its teaching, she might pass it on to you and to me, that we also might partake of its joy and its happiness. There never was more self immolation shown in the history of the world, than was shown by the Leader of the Christian Science movement, and just because her person is not to be seen to-day it does not mean that the leadership has ended. It was always her work that led the Christian Science movement, and that leadership continues throughout time, and will still be helping us on, even in eternity.

I suppose the thing which has met more opposition than any other of the teachings of Christian Science is its teaching that religion heals the sick. I cannot understand why anybody should oppose it. Religion is certainly the most beautiful and wonderful and great and harmonious thing on the face of the earth. Then why should we not assume that it will accomplish *wonderful, harmonious* and beautiful things in the world?

We say we believe on our Lord, Jesus Christ, and we are sincere when we make the statement: but do we really believe on him? He has given us a definition of what believing in God means, and what it accomplishes. He said:—"He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also, and greater works than these shall he do." So, we do not need to listen to anyone else to know what it means to believe on the Lord, Jesus Christ. He has told us himself. And the way is before us wherein we may follow Him, and the door is open, and no man may close it—no man may shut it against us, through which we may enter into the Holy of Holies and, knowing God as He is, may find that measure of peace that passeth understanding, which comes with the lifting of Christ up from the earth.

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CHINESE OBJECT TO PROPOSALS.

HEART-BURNING OVER RESERVATION PROPOSAL.

The proposed amendment of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance published in the *Government Gazette* on November 30th and the residential reservations advocated in the Housing Commission's Report, were topics of much discussion at an extraordinary general meeting of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce yesterday.

Mr. Li Po-kwai, Chairman of the Chamber, presided and seated on either side of him were the Vice-Chairman (Mr. Ho Kwong), and the Secretary (Mr. Ip Lan-chuen). Amongst those present were the Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-son, Messrs. Chau Siu-ki, T. N. Chau, Tsang Foo, Wong Kam-ying, Lo Chung-kui, Choy Hing, Li Wing-kwong, Simon Tse Yan, Pong Wai-ting, Wong Kwong-tin, Chan Pek-chuen and Fung Ping-shan.

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE BUILDING ORDINANCE.

The CHAIRMAN announced that if the new bill were passed, it would take away from the building site too large a portion for open space at the back and the scavenging lane.

The Secretary explained the changes made by the new bill.

Mr. Ip pointed out that in houses on land 50 feet deep, which were the most common in the Colony, 6 feet would be deducted for the scavenging lane, 14 feet 8 inches for open space and 3 feet for the front and rear walls. Excluding the kitchen, the accommodation proper would only be about 21 feet deep. He referred to the difficulty of providing staircases, latrines and kitchens in the reduced space. There were, he said, rows of houses in Lee Yuen Street East, Fat Hing Street, Jervois Street and Queen's Road which were already too small to permit of such drastic reduction.

The Hon. Mr. R. H. KOTEWALL sent a letter asking to be excused from attendance for the discussion of the Bill and residential reservations proposed in the Housing Commission's Report.

The Hon. Mr. CHOW said that in company with Mr. Kotewall, he had seen the S.C.A., the Attorney-General and the Colonial Secretary. He had pointed out the hardship to property-owners and inconvenience to house-holders that the bill would impose. The Government had promised to adjourn the first reading of the Bill. He understood some of the owners proposed getting up a petition. If in the interval, they would get together and inform him of their views, he would present their case to the Government. Mr. Chow also mentioned that the Government had twice brought the proposals forward and had adjourned them.

Mr. Ho KWONG said he thought owners were unanimous in a desire to have the Bill withdrawn. In 1903 the Government ordered one-third for open spaces. In 1923 it is one half. What was to prevent it being three-quarters in 1943 and the whole lot in 1963.

The Hon. Mr. Chow undertook to ask the Government for data as to why the previous proposals were withdrawn.

Mr. Lo then endorsed Mr. Chow's view as to the necessity for appointing a sub-committee and said that if the proposals of the Bill were put into force there would not be enough room in some of the houses for a dog to live in.

The Hon. Mr. CHOW'S personal opinion was that the proposed legislation was unfair.

Mr. PONG WAI-TING, Chairman of the Bank of Asia and a large property owner, submitted that the legislation affected both owners and tenants and would cause great inconvenience.

Mr. Ho KWONG proposed and Mr. T. N. CHAU seconded a motion that the two Chinese representatives in the Legislative Council be asked to get the information, and meanwhile a sub-committee be appointed.

This resolution was unanimously approved.

At this stage the Hon. Mr. CHOW appealed to all property owners to take an interest in the matter "and not make cat's paws of their two representatives."

The sub-committee comprised the Chamber's executive committee together with Mr. William Hall, architect, and Messrs. Fung Ping-shan, Li Yau-chuen, Fok To-kai, Leung Pat-yu, Pong Wai-ting, Chan Harr, Ip Koon-chun, Chan Siu-wa, Chan Pik-chuen, Ip Lui-kong, Kwok Chuen, Li Sing-kui, Mok Ching-kong, Fu Yik-pang, Tam Wun-tong, Leung Kwai-tin, Li Sui-pang, with power to add to their number.

THE RENTS CONTROL ORDINANCE.

VIEWS OF A THOUGHTFUL CHAIRMAN.

On the subject of the Rents Control Ordinance, particularly in regard to the recommendation of the Housing Commission that the Ordinance be prolonged until normal conditions prevail in the Colony and there is peace in the neighbouring Provinces, the CHAIRMAN said that he had heard a great deal from both owners and tenants, the former voicing dissatisfaction and the latter fearing that the ordinance would not be renewed. "Of course," said Mr. Li, "a needle cannot be sharp at both ends." By this he meant that the legislation could not benefit both sides. In his opinion as the property owners were in a minority, and comprised mostly rich men, they could afford to oblige the majority, but the owner could be excused for disliking the law when he could not even get back his own property. After referring to the burning question of house demolition in the Colony, Mr. Li said he thought the only solution lay in calling a conference between representatives of both landlords and tenants.

Mr. WONG KAM-YING pointed out that a number of houses which were not even 20 years old had been pulled down and he thought that this was unfair. Great benefit would be derived from the continuation of the Ordinance as suggested by the Commission. He had canvassed the public which endorsed this view.

Mr. M. K. Lo said that the Rents Control Ordinance did not affect him in the least, but if it was to be continued till there was a change in conditions he would want to know if the present Ordinance would be left standing or a new one drawn up in its place. He stated that, as it stood, the Ordinance was vague in many respects and was only intended to be a temporary measure. Its renewal, in his opinion would make matters worse. Old houses were being demolished, the rentals of new houses were very high, attention was concentrated on new land, and soon there would be no cheap rents at all.

Mr. WONG KAM-YING differed from Mr. Lo. He claimed that the main benefit derived from the Ordinance was that there was a keen incentive to buy and build on new land and in four or five years there would be enough houses for everybody. The tenant would suffer more hardship than the landlord if the Ordinance were allowed to expire.

At this stage the CHAIRMAN said that the only thing to do would be to call a conference, and the matter was left at that.

THE RESERVATION QUESTION.

MUCH HEART-BURNING.

The next item on the agenda was to discuss the recommendations of the Housing Commission regarding reservations.

Mr. M. K. Lo said that in his opinion the reserving of part of Kowloon for Europeans as suggested by the Housing Commission would lead to separation of classes. Chinese could not be blamed for buying property from Europeans who were under no compunction to sell. They were attracted by the good prices offered. If reservations were made with the understanding that any property therein could not be sold to other nationalities that property would not have such a high value in the market. In conversation with Mr. Alabaster, when the latter pressed for the Cheung Chau European reservation, he (Mr. Lo) understood Mr. Alabaster to say that when the Peak and a part of Cheung Chau were reserved the question of more accommodation for Europeans would not be likely to arise again. He agreed that Mr. Alabaster was not authorised to speak on behalf of the European community, but his argument went to show that if the question of reservations was sanctioned it would have no ending.

The Hon. Mr. Chow said that although he agreed with Mr. Lo on a great many subjects he could not see eye to eye with him on this. It was entirely a question of economics and not racial distinction. He was in sympathy with Europeans and Portuguese living here who had no permanent home on account of the high prices paid by the Chinese. But it was purely an economical question and also concerned the middle and lower classes of Chinese. When Europeans were pressed out of their homes they had to ask the Government for a place to live in and this was a necessity and not racial distinction. In his opinion reservations for all classes was quite fair, but if it was solely for Europeans he thought it unfair. As the Government was willing to make reservations for all classes there was no class nor race distinction. He said that 95 per cent. of Hongkong property was owned by Chinese. It did not seem strange that people should ask why everybody else could live on the Peak when the Chinese could not. He was sure that if Chinese were allowed to live on the Peak nine out of ten would not do so. "When Europeans get up, we Chinese go to bed. We think a great deal of our fiddle and they love their piano. But they think our instrument an awful row and we say that the piano is intolerable." His policy had always been "to allow others to benefit as much as they could as long as it did not harm him" and he endorsed it on this occasion. There has been peace between the Europeans and Chinese for many decades in this Colony. It was no use crying out against something that did them no harm. If the position was different, like the proposed Housing Bill which had been discussed to-day, he "would oppose it to the end of time." In conclusion he pointed out that the Government need not accept the Commission's recommendations in full. If there was anything suggested that was good for Europeans but bad for Chinese he did not think the Government would put it into force.

MR. LO AND RACIAL DISTINCTIONS.

Mr. Lo, replying, said that he strongly deprecated any rupture between Chinese and Europeans but he was not an ostrich that hid its head in the sand and took everything for granted. "It was all very well to speak of reservations for Chinese," he said, "but we form far too big a percentage of the people for anything tangible to be done. The Europeans have only themselves to blame for their position." They sold their property when there was inducement and only recently a sale had been put through in his office whereby a European sold property for over a million dollars. Why could not Europeans who were unprovided for, form an association, apply for land and build instead of asking for a general reservation. Mr. Fletcher was agreeable to this and the forty-year lease was especially favourable for building. If reservations were put into force there would gradually be distinctions whereby Europeans would come first and Chinese last.

Hon. Mr. CHOW replied: "I am not trying to carry the Europeans' big foot, but I really believe that this is purely an economic question." He pointed out that the Hon. Mr. Kotewall who was on the Housing Commission had said that he did not agree with a reservation in Kowloon for Europeans unless similar facilities were available for Chinese. He had to disagree when Mr. Lo called it race distinction.

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Mr. Ho KWONG pointed out that it was not imperative for the Government to accept the report and carry it out in full. However, he disagreed with Mr. Chow on the point that it was an economic question. He said that the Shek O reservation had been unsuccessful, but if Europeans wanted land they could always apply. He also opposed the reservation.

The CHAIRMAN then suggested that a resolution be put to the meeting when Mr. Lo got up to remind those present that the Chamber had always disapproved of reservations and it would seem childish if it changed its opinion now.

At this stage a number of persons left the meeting, these including Mr. Chau Siu-ki who had previously served on the Legislative Council.

THE PEAK HAS NO ATTRACTIONS FOR CHINESE.

Pointing out that Europeans objected to Chinese ceremonies and on the other hand the Chinese disliked European dances, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin said that even if a number of Chinese were invited to live on the Peak free of rent very few would go up there. In the same way Europeans would not live in Chinese Street (opposite the Central Fire Station). He also said that if Chinese were so keen to live on the Peak, he could not understand the action of a Chinese gentleman who recently exchanged some property on the Peak for houses in China Town.

Mr. Ho KWONG at once pressed Mr. Wong to give the name of the gentleman in question, but the Chairman ruled that this had nothing to do with the agenda.

Mr. Ho LEUNG then seconded Mr. Lo's proposal that the Chamber express an opinion against reservations.

On it being put to the meeting 24 voted for the motion and eight against. It was decided to write to the two Chinese representatives to ask them to inform the Government of this decision.

This was all the business before the meeting.

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

INTERESTING LECTURE BY THE HON. MR. H. E. POLLOCK.

A lecture on "The League of Nations" was given last evening in St. John's Cathedral Hall by the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., to a large and appreciative audience. The lecture was held under the auspices of the Church of England's Men's Society.

Mr. POLLOCK began his lecture by pointing out that the Covenant of the League of Nations did not include all the nations of the world, there being notable exceptions such as the U.S.A., Germany, Russia and Turkey, which had between them a total population of over 300,000,000. The League now consists of fifty-four members, the last joined of whom are the Free State of Ireland and Abyssinia. By Article 2 of the Covenant the League acts through an Assembly and a Council with a permanent Secretariat. The Council is in future to meet regularly four times a year whilst the League meets annually for about three weeks at Geneva.

By Article 4 of the Covenant the Council may deal with any matter within the sphere of action of the League or affecting the peace of the world.

The Council consists of ten members of the League, of whom four (namely the British Empire, France, Italy and Japan) are permanently represented on the Council. The six other members of the Council are elected every year. They are now Belgium, Brazil, Czecho-Slovakia, Spain, Sweden and Uruguay. The Council, it may be added, is the same as between September, 1922, and September, 1923, with the exception that Czecho-Slovakia has taken the place of China.

Article 5 of the Covenant provides that, as a general rule, decisions at any meeting of the Assembly or the Council require the agreement of all members of the League present at such meetings. Article 6 relates to the *personnel* of the Secretariat. Article 7 makes all positions in connection with the League open to women as well as to men. Article 8 provides for the limitation of armaments of members of the League and also states that the manufacture by private enterprise of munitions and implements of war is open to grave objections. Article 9 provides for the constitution of a Permanent Commission to advise the Council on the execution of Articles 1 to 8, and on military, naval, and air questions generally. Article 10 provides for the preservation against external aggression of the territorial integrity and political independence of members of the League, and also that the Council shall advise upon the means by which these obligations shall be fulfilled.

Article 11 provides for the summoning of the Council in case any emergency should arise threatening the peace of nations, whether members of the League or not. Articles 12, 13 and 15 contain important clauses for the submission of disputes between members of the League to arbitration, and Article 17 provides for arbitration of disputes between States, one or both of which are not members of the League, with a delay of three months before a declaration of war. Article 14 provides for the establishment of a Court of International Justice "to hear and determine any disputes of a national character which parties thereby submits to it." That Court may also give an advisory opinion upon any question or dispute referred to it by the Council or Assembly. Article 16 places upon other members of the League the duty of severing trade or financial relations and enforcing the prohibition of intercourses with persons residing in a State resorting to war in disregard of Articles 12, 13 and 15. Article 16 also provides for the Council recommending to the several Governments concerned the contribution of effective naval, military, and air forces in order to enforce the Covenants of the League. Article 18 prohibits the making of secret treaties between any members of the League.

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Article 19 enables the Assembly to advise the reconsideration by members of the League of treaties which have become inapplicable, and the consideration of international conditions whose continuance might endanger the peace of the world. Article 20 provides for the abrogation of any understandings between the members of the League which are inconsistant with the terms of the Covenant. Article 21 provides that "nothing in this Covenant shall affect the validity of national agreements or regional understandings such as the Monroe Doctrine." Article 22 provides for the establishment of Mandatories to look after the interests of peoples who are unable to protect themselves. Article 23 consists of various labour, economic, moral, trade and health provisions in connection with some of which specific remedial action is being taken by the League. Article 24 provides for the placing of certain international bureaux under the direction of the League. Article 25 states that members of the League agree to encourage, and promote the establishment and co-operation of duly authorised national Red Cross organisations having as their purpose the protection of health and the prevention of disease and the mitigation of suffering throughout the world. Article 26 provides machinery for making amendments in the Covenant.

SOME OF THE LEAGUE'S ACHIEVEMENTS.

The speaker then went on to give some information (which is necessarily incomplete) as to some of the achievements of the League. On the international side the League has dealt with:—

1. The intricate upper Silesian boundary question between Poland, France and Germany.
2. The interpretation of certain treaties.
3. The dispute between Italy and Greece, which led to the bombardment of Corfu in reprisal for the killing of certain Italian delegates. By its intervention, the League secured sufficient delay to avert a serious European war.
4. A dispute between Sweden and Finland over the Aaland Islands in the Baltic.
5. The delimitation of the frontiers of Albania, thus stopping a threatened Jugo-Slav invasion of Albanian territory.
6. The delimitation of the frontier between Poland and Czecho-Slovakia.

The League has also taken effective steps towards the restoration of the national credit of Austria and is beginning to take similar steps for the restoration of the national credit of Hungary.

The League is also interesting itself with the important question of the protection of minorities in the various States of Europe.

In connection with Articles 23, 24 and 25 the League has:

1. Framed a new Convention to suppress the traffic in women and children (which traffic was stopped during the war owing to the difficulties of communication, but has since revived).
2. Procured some relaxation of the restrictions on passengers' passports.
3. Taken measures to check the spread of typhus and cholera in Eastern Europe.
4. Taken measures to provide for the repatriation of a number of war-prisoners, after the war, at a cost of £400,000.
5. Taken measures to provide for the repatriation of Russian and Greek refugees. (In connection with this subject it was reported to the League in August last that 140,000 Russian refugee children were spread over Europe, the majority of whom were destitute).

Another benevolent matter which has occupied the attention of the League has been the setting up of a National Home for Armenians, free of Turkish control.

Useful work has also been done in connection with the International Labour Bureau in regard to dangerous trades and other matters affecting the welfare of labour, including unemployment.

The League has also been active in the promotion of the war against disease generally, in regard to which it is somewhat astonishing to find (as pointed out in a leading article in the *Daily Press* of January 5th, 1922) that the figures of deaths by diseases exceed the numbers of those killed in battle during the Great War. For example: (a) between the years 1914 and 1918 twenty millions were killed in battle as compared with thirty millions who died of disease; (b) in the influenza epidemic of 1918 six million deaths were recorded in India alone; (c) the National Service Department in England found that out of two and a half million men between the ages of 30 and 42 only 900,000, or 36 per cent., were physically fit for active military service, whilst the Health Insurance statistics for England show that more than 10 million insured persons lose by disease more than 80 million working days a year—equivalent, excluding Sundays, to 250,000 working years.

THE LIMITATION OF ARMAMENTS.

On the question of the Limitation of Armaments, the League has recently drawn up an important treaty for signature between members of the League consenting to limit their armaments and to guarantee one another against external aggression. That treaty had not yet been actually signed by any party to the League but it will, no doubt, furnish an important basis for discussion during the year 1924.

As regards the limitation of naval armaments the League has invited the Governments of Argentina, Chili, Denmark, Greece, Norway, the Netherlands, Russia and Turkey to send naval representatives to a conference to be held at Geneva on January 21st, 1924, to discuss the extensions of the principles of the Washington Naval Treaty to those States.

The U.S.A. has also been invited recently "to co-operate in an attempt to solve and place on a universal and permanent basis the private manufacture of arms and the international traffic therein."

Mr. Pollock concluded his address by pointing out that though the League fell short of a "Parliament of Man" it nevertheless deserved the hearty support of those who were anxious to promote the peaceful, economic and moral reconstruction of the world. (Applause.)

A vote of thanks to the hon. gentleman concluded a very interesting meeting.

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Kowloon, 11th December, 1923. 1705

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Hongkong, 12th December, 1923. [1706

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 17th day of December, 1923, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, of one Lot of CROWN LAND above Bowen Road in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of HIS MAJESTY THE KING, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurement. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in square feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price.
2	Inland Lot No. 1431.	Above Bowen Road.	As per sale plan.				About 2,600	$6	$3,570

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

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2	Rural Building Lot No. 232.	Mount Cameron.	As per sale plan.				23,100	$132	$3,773

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Hongkong, 11th December, 1923. [1697

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Hongkong, 12th December, 1923. [1701

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General Managers.

Monday, 11th December, 1923. [1702

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For and on behalf of
THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LTD.,
WALTER J. HAWKER,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1923. [1678

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THE FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the Company, ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 20TH DECEMBER, 1923, at 11 O'CLOCK in the FORENOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ended 30th September, 1923, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from Friday, the 7th December, 1923, until Thursday, the 20th December, 1923, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1923.

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INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE HALF-YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of MEMBERS will be held on WEDNESDAY, 12TH OF DECEMBER, 1923, at 5 P.M., in the Board Room of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

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HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Club will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & COMPANY, LIMITED, on WEDNESDAY, the 12th December, 1923, at 5.15 p.m., immediately after the HALF-YEARLY MEETING, for the purpose of proposing the following resolutions as Extraordinary resolutions:—

(1) That the Rules of Racing made by the HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB be amended by adding after Rule No. 11 the following Rule:—

11a. A China Pony is a horse measuring 13 hands 3 inches and under.

(2) That the said Rules of Racing be amended by striking out Rule No. 77 and substituting the following:—

77. The weight for China Ponies according to the term "weight for inches as per scale" shall be 140 pounds for 12 hands with an additional 3 pounds for every complete inch above that height. Fractions of an inch to count in favour of the pony. Any China Pony which measures over 13 hands 3 inches "dead" to be ineligible to compete in any race reserved for China Ponies.

77a. The Stewards must refuse to enter any Pony which in their opinion is not a China Pony, but their decision must be supported by a board of 5 Members any or all of whom may be Stewards. The decision of the board shall be final.

Should the above Rule No. 77 be passed, it is resolved that the same shall not apply to Ponies which have run in Official races in Hongkong and/or in Gymkhanas in Hongkong up to and including the 1st of December, 1923.

(3) That Rule No. 34 of the Rules and Regulations of the Hongkong Jockey Club be expunged.

(4) That Rule No. 76 of the Rules of Racing made by the Hongkong Jockey Club be expunged.

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NOTICE.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

CERTIFICATE No. A/68 for Nine Shares, £4 per share paid up, numbered 98948/98951 in this Society standing in the name of KWONG SING LUNG of Yokohama has been declared LOST, and if at the expiration of One Month from the Date hereof the above document be not forthcoming the said Certificate will be deemed cancelled and of no effect, and a NEW Certificate for the Nine Shares will be issued in its stead by the Society.

C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1923. [1696

OFFICIAL NOTICE.

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I, G. W. BARTON, of DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers, THE DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LTD., HEREBY GIVE NOTICE, that in consequence of Change of Ownership, I have applied to the Board of Trade, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the Ship "REPOSE," gross tonnage about 2,300 tons, register tonnage about 1,005, heretofore owned by U. S. Navy for the permission to Change her Name to "HAINING" and to have her registered in the New Name at the Port of HONGKONG as owned by THE DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

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THE ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST PROTECTION.

ONE of the main arguments used in the elections at home against acceptance of the policy of Protection may be given in the words of Mr. CLYNES, viz: "If great quantities of goods were kept out of the country by protective tariffs the effects upon ship construction, dock work, transport, cartage, and like services would be equal to displacing two men for every one who might be found a job." Mr. BALDWIN on the other hand proposed "to protect the home market" because he had come to the conclusion that without it there would be grave unemployment in the British Isles "to the end of time." Mr. ASQUITH, in one of his first speeches in the campaign, very pertinently asked what evidence exists for the proposition that a main, if not the principal, cause of unemployment was the import into Great Britain of overseas goods? He said the facts were that in 1913 unemployment had reached its minimum (2 per cent.). For the last three years it had been over 15 per cent. "Our imports," said Mr. ASQUITH, "were very substantially greater in 1913 than they were in any of the last three years on the basis of pre-war prices. This was true of our imports as a whole, and most strikingly of our imports of manufactures." That is an argument which is only answered by the statement that conditions to-day are very different from what they were in 1913. So much is perfectly obvious to everyone, but it cannot be said that it proves the necessity for making the great departure from the Free Trade policy under which Great Britain has prospered over a very long period of years, down to the war's ruination of the European markets. There are now 1,340,000 people unemployed in Great Britain according to the latest statistics available. Mr. ASQUITH, had the figures analysed and the result showed that the number of persons unemployed who belonged to trades which Mr. BALDWIN'S restrictive tariffs were designed to help was not greater than 140,000. According to Mr. ASQUITH, "the trades which are most depressed, to which the great majority of the unemployed belong—shipbuilding, engineering, cotton, not to mention transportation and distribution—are of a kind that no tariff could help. So that this new weapon would under present conditions give no relief to some 90 per cent. of the whole." We have seen no direct answer returned to the argument based on these figures, but it may be found in the contention that a general tariff would enable Great Britain to clear away some of the barriers which handicap her trade in open competition in the markets of the world. It was emphasised by the advocates of Protection that in 1922 manufactured or mainly manufactured goods worth £227,000,000 were imported into Great Britain, and it was argued that a considerable increase of employment could be obtained if many of these goods were manufactured in Great Britain, and that the skill of our people and the enterprise of our manufacturers would be capable of starting or extending existing factories to accomplish that task, if they had a reasonable guarantee against unfair or subsidised foreign competition and a reasonable continuity of market. But this would not benefit the shipping transportation business and the industries it supports.

The Free Trade advocates, however, have convincingly won the fight, and now the question is: How is the problem of unemployment, which Mr. BALDWIN described, as "the crucial question of the day" to be solved? The remedy suggested by Mr. ASQUITH is "to restore the productive capacity of the world and the exchange power of the world." This, too, is the solution of the Labour Party. But by no magic wand can this be done, and the defeat of the Protection issue at the polls lays aside the hopes that were being built on a greatly increased trade between the Motherland and the Dominions, save that which offers through the slow process of peopling the virgin lands of the Dominions by immigration from Great Britain. Mr. BALDWIN'S view is that "it will be a long, long time before the economic reconstruction of Europe is complete," but he foresees that when Germany, for example, begins to function economically, she will probably have to import more food, and raw materials, because she has lost by the war a considerable area of agricultural territory, and it follows that her exports must be increased to pay for these extra imports as well as reparations. "If there be not a sufficient expansion of world trade to absorb this surplus export quickly, these exports will come to the detriment of every industrial country in the world. The chief industrial country is ours, the country with most open markets is ours, and we shall be the shock absorbers for the whole world." But according to Mr. BALDWIN'S own statement this economic recovery is a long, long way off, and in the meantime he may be able to cherish the hope that when other remedies have failed, as he is confident they will, the country will be found more prepared to receive and accept protective tariffs as a solution than the Conservative Party unexpectedly found it in the recent snap election.

A notice of interest to frequent travellers on the Peak Tram appears among to-day's advertisements.

The A.D.C. give a matinee performance of "R.U.R." to-day. The final performance is on Saturday night.

The Chinese gunboat patrol of the West River is being strengthened at points where protection is greatly needed.

Seven cases of enteric fever and two deaths from the disease were notified to the Medical Officer of Health last week.

For dredging near the man-o'-war anchorage five boat people were each fined $2 at the Marine Court yesterday.

A grand concert by the Hongkong Philharmonic Society's Chorus and Orchestra is announced for Tuesday next, December 18th.

The cancellation of two Sunday and public holiday trains on the Kowloon-Canton Railway is announced in to-day's advertisements.

There will be a Musicale, at the Helena May Institute, to-morrow (Thursday), December 13th, at 5.30 p.m. Tickets, 50 cents each, are to be obtained from the Secretary.—ADVT.

The Rev. F. G. Hastings, who was naval chaplain in Hongkong a few years ago has been placed on the retired list at his own request.

Regulations were recently promulgated by the Chinese Foreign Office respecting the recruiting of labour by foreigners. These lay down that it cannot be done without the permission of the local authority.

His Majesty the King has been pleased to appoint Major-General Sir John Fowler, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O., General Officer Commanding British Forces in China, as Colonel Commandant, Royal Corps of Signals.

The Chinese Government has decided to start an aviation service between Peking and Sinkiang. No foreign loan is to be contracted for the purpose "lest foreign creditors secure the control of aviation rights in China."

Mr. Tang Chak-yiu, formerly Commissioner of Salt Revenues of Kwangtung and Kwangsi, is mentioned for the Governorship of Kwangtung, as Governor Lino Chung-kai has decided to resign and is taking a furlough in Shanghai.

Lady Stubbs, on her return from Home by the Blue Funnel s.s. *Patroclus* yesterday morning, was met by His Excellency the Governor and Captain Neville, whilst a large number of friends assembled to greet her at Murray Pier, where she landed.

Yesterday morning, the clerk at the Kowloon-Canton Railway booking office on the Hongkong "Star" Ferry wharf, discovered that the place had been broken into during the night. The burglar got away with $10 in money and a coat.

Among the passengers who arrived by the Blue Funnel liner *Patroclus* besides Lady Stubbs, were Lady Stuart Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smyth, Mr. Chas. Lafrentz, Mrs. J. A. Plummer and son, Mrs. N. Tinson, and Mr. and Mrs. Allan Stevenson.

A dinner in honour of the Chinese Football team, which returned from Australia on Saturday was given at the Yee Woo Hotel, West Point, last night. The dinner was largely attended by supporters of the team and the occasion was one of much jubilation.

A report was made to the police by Mr. R. Hager, a passenger on the s.s. *President Jackson* on Monday that his pocket was picked as he was walking under the verandah on Queen's Road Central. He missed a gold watch and fob which he valued at G$100.

Lieut.-Col. D. C. Faichnie, R.A.O.C., who was stationed in Hongkong when the war broke out, and subsequently was rewarded with the C.M.G. for services in the war has just retired with the rank of Colonel. He has been for some years Chief Ordnance Officer at Devonport.

Engineer-Commander H. B. Sears succeeds Engineer-Commander J. H. Hocken as first assistant to the Chief Engineer in the Hongkong Dockyard. Since September 1921, Engineer-Commander Sears had been on the staff of Captain (D) Sixth Destroyer Flotilla in the leader *Campbell*.

The establishment of the ex-Emperor of China is being subjected to considerable retrenchment. His Majesty has ordered the sale by public auction of all the horses and mules in the Imperial stables with the exception of half a dozen favourite horses and a few others which he has presented to Princes of the Imperial clan.

HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SEVEN NEW BILLS.

At to-morrow's meeting of the Legislative Council seven new Bills will be introduced by the Attorney-General for first reading, viz.:—

A Bill to amend the Holidays Ordinance, 1912.

A Bill to amend and consolidate the Law relating to Opium.

A Bill to amend the Police Force Ordinance, 1900.

A Bill to confer certain powers of arrest on forest officers.

A Bill to amend the Companies Ordinance, 1911.

A Bill to amend the Intrepretation Ordinance, 1911.

A Bill to regulate the admission of persons into the Colony of Hongkong.

THE SMALL POX EPIDEMIC.

The number of cases of smallpox notified in the Colony last week was 107 and there were 87 deaths. All the cases were Chinese but one, a British case.

The return for Monday showed 19 further cases.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

RUSSIAN GRAIN FOR ENGLAND.

FIRST POST-WAR CONSIGNMENT.

LONDON, December 10th.

The first consignment of Russian grain since the war has arrived at Hull. It consists of 2,500 tons of wheat and 5,000 tons barley. Other cargoes are expected.

EARLIER CABLES.

CRIMINAL LIBEL CHARGE.

LORD ALFRED DOUGLAS ON TRIAL.

LONDON, December 10th.

The trial of Lord Alfred Douglas on a charge of criminally libelling Mr. Winston Churchill has opened at the Old Bailey, which was crowded. Lord Alfred Douglas pleaded "not guilty," also that the statements were true and justified and their publication was for the public benefit because Mr. Churchill owing to his misconduct and incompetence should be prevented from holding further high office in the State.

CASE FOR THE PROSECUTION.

The Attorney General, prosecuting, said the alleged libel alleged that Sir Ernest Cassel's syndicate as the result of a plot with Mr. Churchill to publish a false report of the Battle of Jutland made 18 millions sterling on British stocks and 38 millions on German stocks, and Mr. Churchill was given his present furniture, worth forty thousand sterling. Every statement was a libel and a lie. The alleged false communique had not been issued by Mr. Churchill but by Mr. (now Earl) Balfour. Mr. Churchill was not aware of it. The communique was drawn up by Mr. Balfour, based on a telegram from Admiral Jellicoe. The only document Mr. Churchill wrote connected with Jutland was an appreciation of the British part in the battle, which Mr. Balfour and others in the Admiralty asked him to write in order to counteract the German claims of a victory published in the neutral Press. Sir Ernest Cassel had not dealt in German stock during wartime, and only in British war loan. Mr. Churchill had made several thousands as a war correspondent, lecturer on South Africa and biographer of his father, and had placed the management of his investments in the hands of Sir Ernest Cassel, who had been a friend of his father. Sir Ernest Cassel gave Mr. Churchill the furniture of one room in 1905, and a wedding present of five hundred pounds eight years before Jutland.

Earl Balfour and Mr. Churchill gave evidence bearing out the Attorney General's statement.

UNREST IN GREECE

DISTURBANCE IN ATHENS.

ATHENS, December 10th.

A Royalist mass meeting was held in the afternoon in the ruins of Jupiter's Temple, attended by many thousands, including numbers of women, for the avowed purpose of demonstrating the people's will for the maintenance of the present regime. After speeches which were very enthusiastically received, a section of the crowd tried to rush the Ministry of War. Some guards fired and three or four persons were killed by stray bullets, including an employé of the revolutionary administration. The crowds dispersed and the city is normal.

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The official casualties are given as 7 killed and 26 injured.

LAWN TENNIS "SEEDING DRAW."

LONDON, December 10th.

The annual general meeting of the Lawn Tennis Association has unanimously adopted the proposal by the council with regard to the "seeding draw" for the Wimbledon championships, whereby Overseas nominees of the same country so drawn do not meet until the later stages. Each nation is entitled to nominate four players for seeding.

NEW BRITISH MINISTRY.

ALL PARTIES OPPOSED TO COALITION.

LONDON, December 10th.

Mr. Baldwin spent the week-end at the Chequers, and arrived this morning at number ten Downing Street, where a number of Ministers were among the callers, but the crowd of pressmen and photographers were chiefly interested in the arrival of Mr. Winston Churchill at the Colonial Office, where he remained half an hour. Subsequently Mr. Baldwin had forty minutes' audience with the King at Buckingham Palace.

There were indications this afternoon that Conservative opinion is hardening against the idea of Mr. Baldwin's resignation, because it is the duty of the Conservatives as still the strongest party to carry on the Government, and on no occasion to precipitate action. If, however, Mr. Baldwin insists on his resignation, and the Conservative Ministry is not reconstructed, Mr. Ramsay Macdonald may be summoned by the King, but as the Labourites in their present mood are disinclined to yield a single item of their election platform, Mr. Macdonald might decline the task, while willing to co-operate with the Liberals on limited lines. In such an event, Mr. Asquith or his nominee would be summoned. The consensus of opinion of all parties is still opposed to a coalition.

MR. BALDWIN MAY BE ABLE TO CARRY ON.

LONDON, December 10th.

Reuter learns from authoritative Conservative circles that the view now taken is that Mr. Baldwin will not resign, but will carry on and meet Parliament. It is in nowise certain that if he meets Parliament he will find himself in a minority. It is understood that steps have been taken to sound Liberal opinion, and the Government is now satisfied there will be no unnecessary opposition on the part of the Liberals.

LATEST ELECTION RESULTS.

LONDON, December 10th.

Argyll is unchanged. Sir William Sutherland (Liberal) polled 9,020, and Mr. Maquisten (Conservative) 8,100.

Inverness is unchanged. Sir Murdoch Macdonald (Liberal) polled 10,194, and Mr. Kinlock (Labour) 6,385.

The English combined Universities are unchanged. Sir Martin Conway (Conservative) polled 1,711; Mr. Hal Fisher (Liberal) 1,316; and Professor Findlay (Labour) 859.

MUSSOLINI AND THE ITALIAN PEOPLE.

PREMIER WANTS HIS POLICY ENDORSED.

ROME, December 10th.

The Cabinet has unexpectedly decided to prorogue Parliament, which it is expected will be followed by a dissolution. It is explained that Mussolini considered it beneath his dignity to accept the offer of full authority from an assembly, which did not enjoy the confidence of the nation, preferring to Parliament.

ROME, December 10th.

Signor Mussolini is certain to have a majority in the general election, which under the new electoral gives the Fascisti two thirds of the seats in the Chamber. Signor Mussolini appears to want his policy endorsed by the entire nation.

DISASTER TO DUTCH FERRY-BOAT.

AMSTERDAM, December 10th.

Seven were drowned at Hekendrop, near Gouda, through the capsizing of a ferry-boat, in which people were being conveyed across the river to church.

LATEST CABLES.

OBITUARY.

LORD SHAUGHNESSY.

MONTREAL, December 10th.

The death is announced of Lord Thomas George Shaughnessy.

[The Rt. Hon. Lord Thomas George Shaughnessy, K.C.V.O., the Canadian railway magnate, was born at Milwaukee on October 6th, 1853, of Irish parents. In 1882 he became general purchasing agent of the Canadian Pacific Railways and subsequently Assistant General Manager and President. He was President and Director of a number of Railway Companies, all of which are directly or indirectly connected with the C.P.R.]

EARLIER CABLES.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

UNITED STATES NAVY.

BIG APPROPRIATION RECOMMENDED.

WASHINGTON, December 10th.

Mr. Denby, in his annual report to Congress on the Navy, recommends the appropriation of $30,000,000 for the purpose of carrying out a programme of fleet modernisation, with authorisation for building eight 10,000-ton cruisers, three cruiser-type submarines, and six gunboats, and an expenditure of $7,576,000 on naval bases, with a five-year programme of naval aviation construction. Mr. Denby says plans for modernisation, which were held in abeyance during the past year, must be carried out if the United States intends to maintain their proper place under the Washington Treaty. America has fallen so far behind Britain in cruiser strength that she cannot hope for years to attain the equality to which she is entitled under the Treaty, which the modernisation proposals in no way contravene. Besides gun elevation, the programme includes installation of deck sheathing against attack from the air, the provision of "blisters" against torpedo attack, and the conversion of six coal burning battleships to oil fuel. As regards submarines, if the foreign programmes be completed the United States will have to build fifty thousand tons of submarines in order to attain the Treaty Ratios. Mr. Denby expresses his concern with regard to naval aviation. Only twelve aviators were enrolled in the past year, and the equipment is practically obsolete.

AMERICAN BUDGET PROPOSALS.

PROHIBITION TO COST TWENTY-ONE MILLIONS.

WASHINGTON, December 10th.

In the annual Budget recommendations presented to Congress to-day, Mr. Coolidge recommended the repeal of taxes on telegrams, telephones and amusements. A detailed report shows a reduction of 275 million dollars in the expenses of the Government during the next fiscal year. The estimates show the cost of national defence as 548½ million dollars, a reduction of 35 million compared with 1923. A total of 311 million dollars proposed as expenditure on the navy comprises 35 million for naval construction, and 15 million for the air service. The War Department's expenditure is put at 314 million, and includes 12½ million for the air service, and 3½ million for fortifications. The President notifies Congress that in connection with one and a half million dollars for prohibition enforcement, he will soon ask for twenty million in addition for more coastguard vessels to combat rum running.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

WASHINGTON, December 10th.

The work of the Department of the Interior is shown in the annual report to the President. It advocates an increase of the Civil War pensions, and suggests that pensioning should no longer be based on disability due to wounds or disease but that veterans and widows should, after a certain age, receive a pension adequate fully to support them. It also asks for increased facilities for Howard University for training Negro doctors and dentists, in view of the fact that there is only one Negro doctor to 3,014 Negroes and one dentist to 20,500.

LATEST CABLES.

BIG REVIVAL IN U.S. COMMERCE.

WASHINGTON, December 10th.

In the annual report of the Commerce Department Mr. Hoover recommends legislation for revision of navigation laws, control of traffic in the air and the stabilisation of radio service. He suggests that Americans resident abroad who are engaged in furthering American commerce, should be relieved of Federal taxation.

The report shows that during the fiscal year 1923-4 commerce has generally revived, prices are firmer and the nation is prosperous, the huge export balances of the last few years having made America a creditor instead of a debtor. The nation now generally accepted that up to the present the normal excess of exports over imports must ultimately shift to an excess of imports, as America has large balances to receive in payment of interest. Foreign capital issues by the United States were $395,000,000 compared with $682,000,000 in 1921.

Of American security investments abroad last year Latin American countries took $142,000,000; Canada $109,000,000; Europe $58,000,000; the Far East $45,000,000, and American possessions $41,000,000. The influx of gold for the year amounted to $235,000,000, compared with $441,000,000, chiefly owing to a decline of a billion dollars excess on exports of merchandise over imports.

EARLIER CABLES.

CANADA AND UNITED STATES.

RESTRICTIONS ON AMERICAN FISHERS.

OTTAWA, December 10th.

From January 1st the United States fishing vessels may only enter Canadian Atlantic ports for shelter and repairs, and wood and water. This is the purport of an official memorandum announcing the discontinuance on December 31st of the *modus vivendi* under which American fishers used Canadian ports for the purpose of purchasing bait and transhipping their catch to home ports. The principal reason ascribed for the renunciation of the agreement is that America not only refused to grant reciprocity as regards Canadian vessels, but imposed additional duties on Canadian fish in the American market.

DEADLOCK IN U.S. SENATE.

WASHINGTON, December 10th.

The insurgents have produced a deadlock in the Senate in the fight for the chairmanship of the Commerce Committee. The Republicans, Mr. Cummins, received forty-one votes, and the Democrat, Mr. Smith, thirty-nine. Senator La Follette, the leader of the insurgents, had seven. The Cummins vote was three short of the necessary majority. Three unsuccessful ballots were taken, after which the Senate went into executive session and then adjourned without reaching any solution.

AMERICA AND THE WORLD COURT.

WASHINGTON, December 10th.

Senator Eli Root has introduced in the Senate a resolution providing for the entrance of the United States into the World Court "after it has been completely divorced from the League of Nations."

THE MEXICAN INSURRECTION.

BROWNSVILLE, December 10th.

Three thousand Federal troops from Monterey, commanded by General Amaro, have captured Victoria and are patrolling the southern part of the State of Tamaulipas.

SEIZURE OF A DUTCH VESSEL.

NEW YORK, December 10th.

The Dutch Consulate has assigned two Admiralty lawyers to investigate the circumstances connected with the seizure of the s.s. *Zeehond* a few days ago.

BRITISH BOXER OUTPOINTED.

NEW YORK, December 10th.

Loughran, of Philadelphia, was awarded the decision over Todd, British middleweight champion, in a ten-round contest.

NEW US AMBASSADOR TO LONDON.

WASHINGTON, December 10th.

President Coolidge has sent the Senate the nomination of Mr. Kellog to be Ambassador to Britain.

LATEST CABLES.

BOXING CHAMPION DEFEATED.

NEW YORK, December 10th.

In the American Light Heavy-Weight Championship contest Tunny, the holder, was outpointed by Greb.

CANTON SILK GOODS BUSINESS.

STRIKE AGAINST LIKIN.

All the dealers in native silk goods in Canton say the *Canton Gazette* have put up a sign in front of their shops with the words "Suspend Business." Many of them even closed their doors on Monday morning. The silk factories in Canton as well as those in Fatshan, Shuntak, Saichin, Chan-chun, Yung-kee have suspended work to join in the general strike.

This action on the part of the merchants and manufacturers was endorsed at a special meeting of the representatives from dealers and manufactures of silk goods throughout the provinces at the Silk Merchants' Guild, on Sunday, when it was decided that a general strike of the merchants and manufacturers should be started yesterday (Monday) in order to strengthen their request to the government for the immediate abolition of likin tax on transportation, sales and purchases of native silk goods. A Kai Yuan Company recently petitioned to the Provincial Finance Bureau for the levying of a 1 per cent. *likin* tax on silk goods. The monopoly for collecting the tax was later given to the Kai Yuan Company by the Government.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CANTON CUSTOMS QUESTION.

CENTRAL GOVERNMENT'S COMMUNICATION TO DIPLOMATIC BODY.

PEKING, December 10th.

The communication from the Central Government relating to the Canton Customs was in the form of a memorandum, which was sent to each Legation concerned, asking whether the naval forces of five Powers had made a landing at Canton, and if so, in what circumstances.

DIPLOMATIC BODY'S ATTITUDE.

At a meeting of the Diplomatic Body, held to-day, it was resolved to send a further communication to the Central Government regarding Dr. Sun Yat Sen's threat to take over the Customs at Canton, saying that in the interests of foreigners, as well as the Chinese Government, it was essential to maintain the integrity of the maritime customs.

U.S. DESTROYERS "RUSHED" TO HONGKONG.

MANILA, December 11th.

It is officially but reliably stated that the United States destroyers, *Peary*, *Polk*, *Pillsbury*, *Preston*, *Sicard* and *Noa* are leaving for Hongkong on "rush orders" this afternoon.

BOOK APPEAL FOR JAPAN.

GREAT BRITAIN TO HELP.

LONDON, December 10th.

A large attendance of University representatives and Learned Societies and Publishers, were present at a meeting presided over by Earl Balfour as President of the British Academy, convened for the purpose of organising a gift of books to the Library of the Tokyo Imperial University. Earl Balfour made a sympathetic speech in the course of which he referred to a letter he had just received from the President of the University describing the calamitous losses sustained by the library, and appealing for the help of fellow nations. Earl Balfour stated that the British Foreign Office invited the British Academy to undertake the task. On the motion of the High Commissioner of India, an executive Committee of the most influential possible character was constituted for the purpose of organising the effort.

EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF JAPANESE DIET.

TOKYO, December 10th.

An extraordinary session of the Diet opened this morning. The Regent, who was attired in the uniform of a Lieut.-Colonel, delivered a speech expressing pleasure at the unity of the people of Japan during the recent catastrophe. He said he was "profoundly impressed with the sincere sympathy shown by friendly Powers throughout the world." In conclusion he said he hoped the members of the Diet would discharge their duties in a spirit of harmony and co-operation.

EX-EMPEROR'S DONATION TO POOR.

PEKING, December 10th.

It is reported that the ex-Emperor has donated a thousand dollars for relief of the poor of Peking.

BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE CASE.

REGLEMENT TRANSACTIONNEL UPHELD.

PARIS, December 10th.

With regard to the appeal of five creditors of the Banque Industrielle de Chine against the Seine Tribunal of Commerce confirming the reglement transactionnel being applied to the Bank, the Court of Appeal has decided that as the proposals for the reglement transactionnel were unanimously approved by the Bank's creditors in France and the Far East the proposals should be confirmed in the private interest of the creditors and the general economic interest.

[BY COURTESY OF "THE DAILY BULLETIN."]

OPIUM IN THE PROVINCES OF CHINA.

PEKING, December 10th.

Marshal Wu Pei-fu, in acknowledging the Government's instructions, says that he will do his utmost to eradicate the cultivation and traffic in opium in the provinces which he controls.

WEIHAIWEI RESTORATION COMMISSIONER.

PEKING, December 10th.

Mr. M. T. Liang telegraphed to the Government to-day saying that it is imperative for him to go abroad, as he is really ill. He, therefore, sent the seal of his office and documents relating to his post of Weihaiwei Restoration Commissioner to the Waichiaopu.

DESTITUTE RUSSIANS IN PEKING.

PEKING, December 10th.

The Peking Press draws the attention of the Metropolitan Police to the large number of destitute Russians who are begging and peddling in the streets, and calls on the police to co-operate with the local charitable institutions to relieve the immediate needs of these unfortunate people.

DUTY ON CHINESE TEA.

PEKING, December 10th.

It is understood that the Shuiwuchu has telegraphed to the Chairman of the Shanghai Tea Traders' Association saying that the remission of the export duty and the 50 per cent. reduction of the *likin* dues on Chinese tea will continue till the end of 1925.

SHANGHAI SMALL INVESTORS' CO., LTD.

THE PRESENT FLOTATION.

The Small Investors' Co., of Shanghai, is now being floated into a limited liability Company, the *N.-C. Daily News* says:— Numbers of our readers will remember the interest aroused in this venture by Mr. Douglas Fleming in 1921, when he started the company in question, with the main idea of meeting the needs of people with small capital. It was felt that such people with only small amounts to invest or a few shares to sell, often an inconvenient number, ought to have more facilities at their disposal either for purchases or sales. Mr. Fleming undertook to afford them these facilities, and so well had he gauged the need that a large business immediately attended his efforts. The success which followed showed that the original capital was insufficient to cope with the number of transactions, and on this account it was decided to incorporate the company with the intention of securing the necessary additional funds for its daily business.

During the past week, money in Shanghai has probably been tighter that for the last 50 years, but to show the volume of business which is put through by the Small Investors' Co. we give the following figures:—

From Monday November 26th to Saturday December 1st the Small Investors' Co. put through 285 transactions, of which total 36 contracts were for Outports, with a turnover as follows:—

	Tls.
On Monday, November 26th	369,880.43
" Tuesday, November 27th	352,664.56
" Wednesday, November 28th	158,523.11
" Thursday, November 29th	273,300.31
" Friday, November 30th	41,130.25
" Saturday, December 1st	76,654.98
Tls.	1,437,178.64

The Small Investors' Co., Ltd., is being floated with a capital of Tls. 500,000, and of this 80,000 shares of Tls. 5 each have been offered for public subscription. Of this sum Tls. 2½ is to be paid on December 12th and the balance of Tls. 2½ on February 28th next. We learn that the whole issue has been applied for privately, and that the minimum subscription on which the company will go to allotment has already been paid up, notwithstanding the tightness of money. At the same time it is announced that all applicants for shares will be allotted at least a percentage of the number applied for. The list closes definitely on December 19th, whereafter the company will proceed to allotment.

Mr. Fleming is signing an agreement with the new company to serve with it for a period of five years as managing director.

GAMBLING IN STREETS OF MELBOURNE.

A UNIQUE INCIDENT.

In its report of the recent strike of police in Melbourne, the *Sydney Morning Herald* says:—

What must have been the largest "two-up" school ever seen in the open at Port Melbourne assembled in Bay-street, near Raglan-street, on the afternoon of October 7th, at about half-past 3 o'clock. When Sergeant McGlade, of Port Melbourne, caught sight of the throng from the seat of a tramcar, more than 1,000 men were taking an active and unhindered part in the proceedings. For once they had taken no precautions. It appeared to be unnecessary to post scouts. However, with the unwelcome appearance of a uniform a general stampede occurred.

Then followed a unique denouement. Sergeant McGlade, who is both well known, and well liked in the district, realising that it would be impossible to attempt to make any arrests, mounted a rockery and addressed the players, and appealed to their better nature, asking them to refrain from adding to the difficult situation in which the city had been placed. The men cheerfully dispersed.

["Two-up" is probably the most popular form of gambling in Australia. In some parts of the world the game is designated "heading 'em." It is played with two pennies, and the players bet on the fall of the coins—two heads or two tails.]

NEW STEAMER ORDERED FOR UPPER YANGTSZE.

Messrs. Yarrow & Co., Ltd., of Glasgow, have secured an order for a large shallow draft river steamer for the Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Co., for service on that part of the Yangtsekiang that lies between Ichang and Chungking where the navigation is rendered both difficult and dangerous by the many whirlpools and rapids that have to be encountered.

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The design of this steamer will follow very closely the large number of river gunboats built by the firm for the British Admiralty during the war, the whole flotilla of which was designed and built by Yarrow & Co. who took the responsibility for them.

Signor Puccini has started an action in Milan against his musical publishers, Ricordi and Co., claiming damages on moral and artistic grounds because they had permitted the most popular themes of his operas to be adapted to the American fox-trots.

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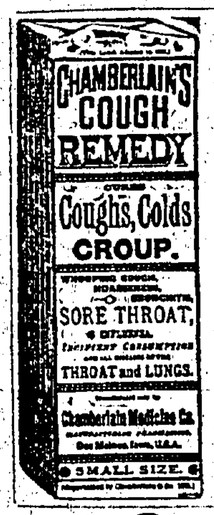

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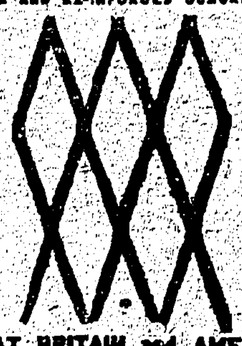

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LIVELY REMINISCENCES OF SCHOOL DAYS.

In connection with Nottingham's education week, General Sir Ian Hamilton recently addressed 5,000 school children in that city, and gave them some humorous reminiscences of his early days. Observing that the thoughts of his young audience were bright and sharply-edged like newly-minted sovereigns, he proceeded:—But I was forgetting you boys have never handled a real sovereign—that splendid fat-flashing little fellow who used to come rolling home with father on Saturday night—the night when mother used to say, "Where's the other one?" You've never set eyes even on a real ten-bob bit, what the children of the 'fifties used to call a yellow-boy.

Once, when I was about seven years old, my father pulled one out of his waistcoat pocket and said, "Ian, what's that?" I said, "Father, that's a pound.' So he turned to my four-year-old brother, who was dressed in a black velvet tunic and white knickers, with open goffered ends, and said, "Vereker, what's that?" and Vereker said, "Father, that's a yellow-boy." So my father patted him on the head, saying: "I fear God Almighty has given me an idiot for my first born."

It's hard for old and young to understand one another, but I want to tell you a little secret about myself that will make matters easier. At the end of the year 1866, when I was about to leave a private school called Cheam for a public school called Wellington College, there was an order sent round by the bursar that every boy should have his initials and school number stitched in red thread on to his underclothing. If you were to glance at my shirt tail now you might see that same old arrangement still sitting there, viz., "I.S.M.H., 150." It's the very same number I sported when the master, Dr. Benson, afterwards Archbishop of Canterbury, used to cane me the second Monday morning of the term and every Monday morning after it. He used to cane me until his eyes, always rather bulgy, nearly dropped out on to the carpet, until what with old lickings and new lickings my back went blue, purple, green, and yellow, with black weals over the ribs where the end of the cane flipped round.

When I stripped at the bathing lake and the boys saw I was striped, they used to call out "Zebra." This made me furious, and I used to call out in reply, "No, I'm a hippopotamus," and dive to get away from them under the yellow water; so they called me "Hippo Hamilton" for the rest of my school days. But how does the number "150" remain? Many washerwomen must have wondered what it meant. Some of them, perhaps, thought I was a millionaire with two hundred shirts, and that they were washing No. 150, but it wasn't so. The school number had just stayed on and become part of my kit—part of my life's outfit.

"MIRACULOUS CURE."

A NUN WHO HEARD A MYSTERIOUS VOICE.

Religious sentiment in Brittany has been profoundly stirred by the account of a miracle which is said to have occurred in the Convent of the Sacred Heart at Coutances. Madame Durand, a nun, whose religious name is Sister Thérèse Maria, has for twenty-three years suffered from paralysis, and has only been able to go about on crutches. Early in October, however, she declared that she heard a mysterious voice which bade her throw aside her crutches and walk. To the astonishment of her sister nuns and the Mother Superior, she obeyed the injunction, and, discarding her crutches, walked with a firm step and apparently without any extraordinary effort. Her paralysis had completely disappeared. Dr. Pierre Dudouyt, a Senator of the Manche Department, who was called in to bear witness to this remarkable cure, has issued a certificate in which he records that Sister Thérèse Maria had suffered from a permanent deformation of the right leg, caused by contraction of the muscles, while the left leg was also considerably warped. She could only walk with the aid of crutches, and always had to wear a special corset to sustain her body in an upright position. In addition to these symptoms, she suffered from chronic indigestion, owing to which she could take no other nourishment than milk and vegetable purées. But all these symptoms disappeared suddenly, and the patient's limbs now bear no trace of any deformation. Though formerly a victim of insomnia, she now sleeps well, and enjoys such good health that she is able to follow the routine of the convent and to eat ordinary food, instead of being, as for twenty-three years past, obliged to live on a special diet. As it is now nearly a month since what is claimed to be a miraculous cure was effected, it is believed to be permanent.

SEX EQUALITY IN DIVORCE

FIRST CASE UNDER NEW ACT.

Pronouncing a decree *nisi* in the undefended suit of a wife for the dissolution of her marriage on the ground of her husband's misconduct since the passing into law, on July 18th last, of the amending Divorce Act, the president of the Divorce Division, Sir Henry Duke, remarked: "This is the first case that has come before the Court under the Act of July last, which amended the law to enable a married woman to proceed to obtain relief for dissolution upon the sole ground of the husband's adultery. It merely illustrates what, I think, was common knowledge in this court, that if there was cause for dissolution of the marriage upon adultery by one of the parties the almost inevitable consequence was the desertion of one party by the guilty party. Before the new statute the wife had to proceed by a double suit. What the new statute had done, in a multitude of cases, was to relieve the wife of what was a just cause of complaint—the cost and trouble of a superfluous proceeding."

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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 28th December, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 29th December, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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S.S. "PAUL LECAT."

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless intimation is received from the Consignees before NOON, TO-DAY, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after the 14th instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 18th December, 1923, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on Friday, the 14th instant, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. RODENFUSER,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1923. [1689

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN LINE.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Steamship "COLORADO" having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of Holt's Wharf, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 14th December, 1923, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 21st December, 1923, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays or Fridays, between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon, within the free storage period of one week.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 16th December, 1923, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 22nd December, 1923, or they will not be recognized.

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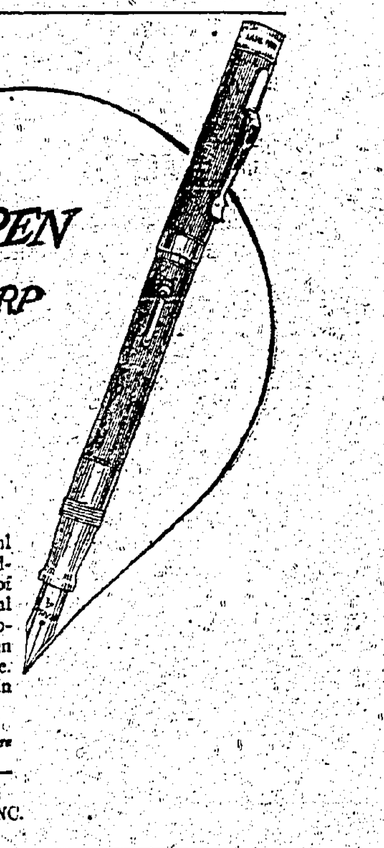

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REMARKABLE SCENES.

A MINERS' SHRINE.

So extraordinary are the scenes which take place each Sunday at the little mining village of Carfin, a few miles out from Motherwell, that they have earned for the locality the name of the Scottish Lourdes. During the summer months it has been no uncommon thing for processions of 20,000 to pass before the shrine dedicated to Our Lady of Lourdes. One Sunday less than a month ago it was estimated that 70,000 people had made the pilgrimage; and even in these chill autumn days, when the winds from the north pierce one to the marrow on the bleak hillside, the Sunday attendance is still to be numbered by the thousand. From the near villages and distant towns the pilgrims come by motors, wagonettes, and on foot. The procession is as remarkable as ever was seen at Lourdes; the maimed, the halt, and the blind all find a place in the ranks of the pilgrims, some dragging their palsied limbs along with the aid of sticks, some supporting their frail bodies on crutches, and others being led by patient friends. For hours they will wait in a queue, sometimes half a mile in length, until their turn comes to drink from the waters of the grotto and to pass before the statue of Our Lady of Lourdes, before kneeling to kiss the fragment of rock taken from the very spot where stood Notre Dame in her niche at Massabielle where she appeared in a vision before Bernadette, the sainted shepherdess. The cures claimed by Catholics and Protestants alike one can neither corroborate nor disprove. It may be that in the spiritual zeal of the moment some have found relief from their physical sufferings. The power of suggestion is strong in most of us, and the science of psycho-therapy is still an unplumbed depth, but of the religious fervour and devotion which prompts these thousands to make the pilgrimage, not once or twice, but many times during the year there can be no doubt whatever.

When I visited the shrine on Sunday, the pilgrimage had already begun. All around the village of Carfin was spread, as drab and uninviting as any other mining village, with squat houses and unkempt gardens. The only thoroughfare was lined with vehicles of every description, the number of which was added to as the day advanced. A closer inspection revealed motor coaches from places as far distant as Edinburgh, Dunblane, Glasgow, Dalkeith, Cumbernauld, and Lanark. Mid-way through the village one's attention was arrested by the institute and parish hall, a spacious building through the open windows of which two score or more of young miners, some in working kit ready for the next shift, could be seen engaged at billiards and card games. In the ordinary course of events the sight would pass unnoticed, but, strange as it may seem, the grotto dedicated to Our Lady of Lourdes stands only a few yards away. It is a striking contrast. Two parallel paths lead, the one to the institute, and the other to the shrine; and while the faithful approach with reverence to their devotions there comes across the narrow neck of land, which separates the two, sounds of disputations and of laughter as those within indulge in the games provided.

TASTING THE WATERS.

From an early hour on Sunday morning, I was told, there had been a continuous procession through the grotto. Some would pause for a moment to pray before the modest shrine erected in honour of the Blessed Therese, and then, joining the greater multitude, would pass before the grotto tasting of the waters of the artificial spring before kissing the rock of Lourdes. Many brought bottles in which to carry away the waters to share with their less fortunate brethren. It was pathetic to see the sublime faith with which those afflicted with bodily infirmities approached the well, from the mystic properties of whose waters they hoped for so much. Many would pause after drinking from the small metal cup, as though fully expectant that the cure would manifest itself there and then. Nor was there any sense of disappointment when the miraculous did not happen—only a slow and painful progress to the little church across the way, where a kindly priest received their supplications and bade them, in words of comfort, to be of good cheer and to keep strong in the faith. It was not until the shadows were lengthening and the dusk of evening had fallen that this remarkable procession showed any signs of diminishing.

Although I saw no actual cures, I was told of many which had taken place. Most of these stories concern those who affirm that since drinking the waters of the Grotto they have lost all trace of tubercular complaints from which they previously suffered. I was also told of an old lady, a Mrs. McHattie, of Edinburgh, whose misfortune it was to fall from some steps and fracture a leg. Subsequent treatment at the infirmary left a permanent stiffness in the knee joint, but after a few visits to the Carfin shrine, this almost completely disappeared. Another case cited was that of a man who is stated to have cured himself of [illegible] from which he had suffered for [illegible] by anointing the sores with the waters of the Grotto. Faith healing no doubt plays "considerable" part in the so-called cures, a supposition confirmed by the fact that many people who at first reported themselves cured had a return of their symptoms after a short period of relief. But whether the cures can be substantiated or not, it is something of an achievement for a small mining village like Carfin to have sustained the interest in its Grotto for over a year, and to have attracted all classes and creeds at all times of the year in such extraordinary numbers. Whether it will continue to exercise its subtle influence to the same degree is a question which remains to be answered.

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MANILA ...	"YUENSANG"	...Saturday,	15th Dec., 11 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA ...	"FOOKSANG"	...Saturday,	15th Dec., 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW ...	"YATSHING"	...Sunday,	16th Dec., 7 a.m.
HAIPHONG via HOIHOW ...	"CHEONGSHING"	Sunday,	16th Dec., 10 a.m.
BANGKOK via SWATOW ...	"HANGSANG"	...Monday,	17th Dec., 10 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW, & SHANGHAI ...	"KWONGSANG"	...Tuesday,	18th Dec., 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW ...	"WINGSANG"	...Sunday,	23rd Dec., 7 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI ...	"TINGSANG"	...Monday,	24th Dec., 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN ...	"HINSANG"	...Monday,	24th Dec., 1 p.m.
KOBE ...	"NAMSANG"	...Wednesday,	26th Dec., Noon.
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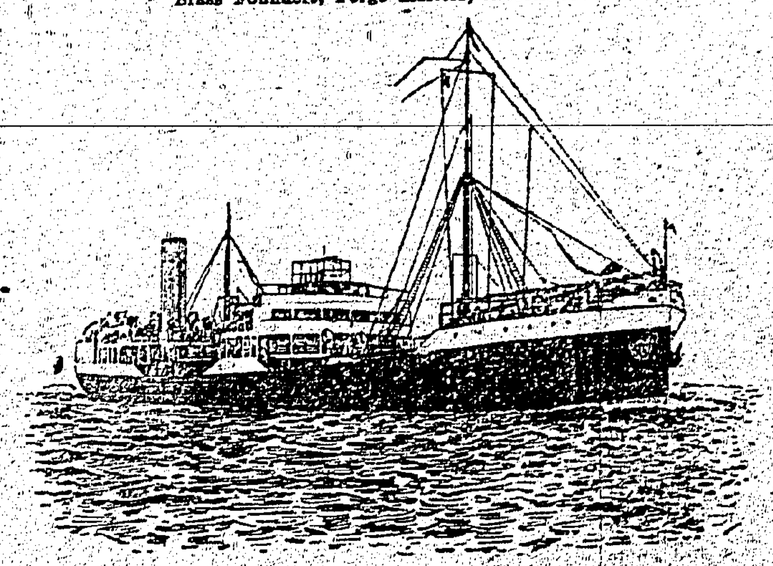

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SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS.

December 10th.

Alps Maru, Japanese str., 4,861 tons, Capt. A. P. Kobayashi, from Hamburg and Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A32.—O.S.K.

Haitan, British str., 1,183 tons, Capt. E. Jones, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with a general cargo and rice, lying at buoy No. C38.—Man Wing S.S. Co.

Hozanbu Maru, Japanese str., 3,750 tons, Capt. M. Kametaka, Karatsu, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf.—O.S.K.

Kwaiyuh, Chinese str., 402 tons, Capt. Kwok On from Kwang Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at Saikong wharf.—Yuen Hing & Co.

Lake Gilpen, American str., 1,054 tons, Capt. E. Schulz, from Calcutta and Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C45.—P. M. S.S. Co.

Pootee, Chinese str., 314 tons, Capt. Lai Yee, from Kwang Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at Saikong wharf.—Tung Woo Co.

Taikwa Maru, Japanese str., 1,294 tons, Capt. T. Ishigaki, from Keelung and Swatow, with a general cargo and coal, lying at buoy No. C47.—Y.K.K.

Uwajima Maru, Japanese str., 681 tons, Capt. S. Katayama, from Keelung, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. C48.—Y.K.K.

December 11th.

Tresang, British str., 977 tons, Capt. T. Croft, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C35.—J. M. & Co.

Tuen, British str., 1,338 tons, Capt. A. V. Harrison, from Bangkok and Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B15.—B. & S.

Lachine, British str., 1,221 tons, Capt. F. M. Dillon, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B12.—B. & S.

Patroclus, British str., 6,910 tons, Capt. G. T. Clarke, from Liverpool and Singapore, the former port she left on November 16th and the latter December 7th, with a general cargo, lying at Hol's wharf.—B. & S.

Tanda, British str., 1,238 tons, Capt. T. B. H. Whitehead, from Moji, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A27.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Tatshing, British str., 1,124 tons, Capt. J. Campbell, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C37.—J. M. & Co.

Yeizan Maru, Japanese str., 836 tons, Capt. K. Funakoshi, from Keelung, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy buoy No. B49.—M.B.K.

CLEARANCES.

December 11th.

Alps Maru, for Shanghai.
Biyo Maru, for Samarang.
Changhing, for Canton.
Darewongse, for Hoihow.
Haihong, for Swatow.
Hengta, for Bangkok.
Honolulu Maru, for Singapore.
Hopsang, for Swatow.
Jade, for Pakhoi.
Kwangtze, for Shanghai.
Luchow, for Canton.
President Jackson, for Shanghai.
President Taft, for Shanghai.
Prosper, for Canton.
Uwajima Maru, Canton.
Yeijun Maru, for Tsingtau.
Yrizan Maru, for Canton.
Yokohama Maru, for Nagasaki.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* arrived at Yokohama on December 11th at 9 a.m., left at 6 p.m., and is due at Hongkong on December 18th at 11 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. *Caledonia* arrived at London on December 8th at 9 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. *Nellore*, from Hongkong, arrived at Marseilles on December 9th at noon.

The Admiral Oriental Line's s.s. *President Jefferson*, which is due at this port to-morrow (Thursday) arrived at Shanghai last Sunday.

The s.s. *Philoctetes* (Blue Funnel Line), from Pacific ports, left Nagasaki at daylight on the 9th inst. for this port, and is due here on the 12th inst.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Andre Lebon (M.M.), due Dec. 20th.
City of Spokane (Admiral Oriental), due Dec. 22nd.
Elkton (Barbar Line), due Jan. 13th.
Empress of Asia due Dec. 18th.
Hyson (Blue Funnel), due Dec. 26th.
Laomedon (Blue Funnel), due Dec. 22nd
Lycaon (Blue Funnel), due Dec. 27th.
Mentor (Blue Funnel), due January 6th
President Jefferson (Admiral Oriental), due Dec. 13th.
Soudan (P. & O.), due to-day 8 a.m.

SHIPPING NOTE.

The silk which left here by the P. & O. s.s. *Nellore* on November 6th was delivered in Marseilles on December 9th.

RUSH FOR HOMEWARD PASSAGES.

The Calcutta *Statesman* understands that there has been an extraordinary rush for passages home during the spring of next year. Already the ships of the P. & O. and B.I. fleets sailing from Bombay are booked up to the middle of May and July. Practically the same position prevails as regards the P. & O. and B.I. sailings from Calcutta, the accommodation being fully booked up to April. Passages are available, however, on ships sailing from Bombay and Calcutta in December and January. The big ships of the P. & O. Co.—*Narkunda*, *Naldera*, *Mooltan* and *Maloja*—will be employed on the Australian run and the demand for passages from Australia is such as to leave a very small margin for India. The City Line steamers from Calcutta too are booked well forward. It is thought that the Empire Exhibition at Wembley is responsible to some extent for the heavy bookings.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per s.s. *Patroclus*, on December 11th:—From Liverpool: Eng.-Com. D. B. Bennett, R.N., Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Cowan, Capt. G. A. Crawford, Miss H. Calvert, Mr. Chas. Lafrentz, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. McWhirter, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Miller, Miss N. A. Ogilvie, Mrs. J. A. Plummer, Mr. J. A. H. Plummer, Lady Stubbs, Mr. and Mrs. Smyth, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Stevenson, Lady Stuart Taylor, Miss E. K. Butler, Mrs. N. Tinson, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. White, and Mr. J. W. Matthews. From Singapore: Mr. C. C. Boldt, Mr. J. R. Glascock, Mr. R. K. Johnston, Mr. M. S. Lawton, Mr. Wallace Lee, Mr. and Mrs. T. Miller, Mr. E. Qisumbing, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sundheimer, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Templeton and Mr. J. M. White.

DEPARTURES.

Per s.s. *Sarpedon*, on December 11th:—For Singapore: Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Pierrepont, Miss E. Mecham, Archdeacon P. C. Webber, Mr. W. Piercy, Miss A. S. Booth, Miss A. J. Millar, Mr. J. MacLean, Miss H. Gironi, and Mr. W. J. Ward. For Port Said: Mrs. E. S. Mackenzie. For Marseilles: Mr. and Mrs. C. A. V. Bowrn, Misses N. M. and R. F. Bowrn, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Langlois, Mr. W. L. Langlois, Mr. C. T. Gillon, Mr. Malcolm King, Mr. A. C. Love, Mr. W. J. Argent and Mr. J. W. B. Cattell. For London: Major W. J. Noldisch, Mr. C. H. Kinsey, Lt.-Com. Malcolm King, Mrs. W. H. Ivy, Mrs. T. Wells, Mrs. M. Berman, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Carey, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Hansell, Mr. D. N. Hawes, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Bisseker, Mrs. W. A. H. Thomas, Mr. Ian Macdougal, Mr. F. N. Stokes, Mr. R. Rose, Mrs. A. J. Daniels, Miss A. E. Allen, Eng.-Com. P. C. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Burn, Mr. and Mrs. N. K. Bradgate and Mrs. Ings.

CAPSIZED JUNK.

Under a notice of danger to navigation the Harbour office has received a notice from Swatow Harbour Master that a junk, bottom up, was sighted on December 10th in Lat. 22.48 N. and Long. 116.22 East.

WEATHER REPORT.

December 11th at 17.16—Pressure has increased slightly at Shanghai and over Formosa. It is nearly stationary elsewhere.

The anticyclonic conditions remain unchanged.

Fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, 11th December, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 106.51 inches, against an average of 82.37 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, Dec. 12th is as follows:—

District	Forecast
Formosa Channel ...	N.E. winds, strong.
Hongkong to Gap Rock	N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks	do.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan	do.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, December 11th.

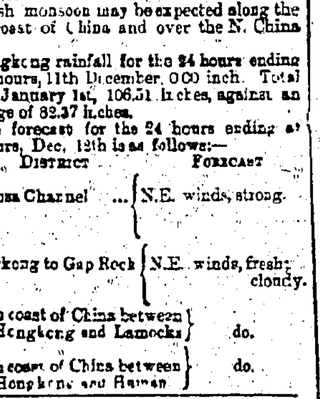
	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer ...	30.07	30.13	30.08
Temperature ...	68	62	65
Humidity ...	65	76	73
Wind Direction	N	N	E
" Force	3	1	4
Weather ...	O	O	O
Rain ...	0.03	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature on 10th ... 69
Lowest open-air Temperature on 11th ... 61

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE

From December 12th to 18th, 1923.

Days of Week	Days of Month	High Water H'kong Standard Time	Height	Low Water H'kong Standard Time	Height
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Wed.	12	2 4 a	4 8	m 6 50	1 2
		11 59 a	7 3	5 30 a	4 1
Thur.	13	3 6 a	4 9	m 7 44	1 6
				6 21 a	4 4
Fri.	14	m 0 49	6 7	m 8 40	2 0
		4 9 a	5 0	7 38 a	4 6
Satur.	15	m 1 48	6 0	m 9 35	2 3
		5 8 a	5 3	9 33 a	4 6
Sun.	16	m 3 29	5 5	m 10 27	2 6
		6 52 a	5 6	11 21 a	4 3
Mon.	17	m 5 7	5 1	m 11 15	2 8
		6 23 a	6 0		
Tues.	18	m 6 18 a	4 9	m 0 40	2 7
		0 50 a	6 4	m 11 58	3 0



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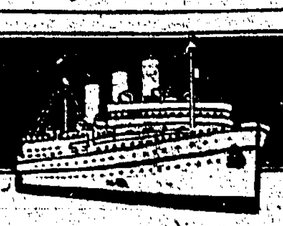

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Empress Asia	Jan. 10	Jan 28	Montcalm	Feb. 8	Feb. 15
Empress Russia	Feb. 7	Feb. 25	Marloch	Mar. 7	Mar. 14
Empress Australia	Feb. 22	Mar. 12	Melita	Mar. 19	Mar. 26

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BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo.
PENANG MARU ... Monday, 17th Dec.
YOMEI MARU ... Sunday, 23rd Dec.
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MORIOKA MARU ... Sunday, 16th Dec.
CEYLON MARU ... Saturday, 22nd Dec.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
YOSHINO MARU ... Thursday, 13th Dec.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
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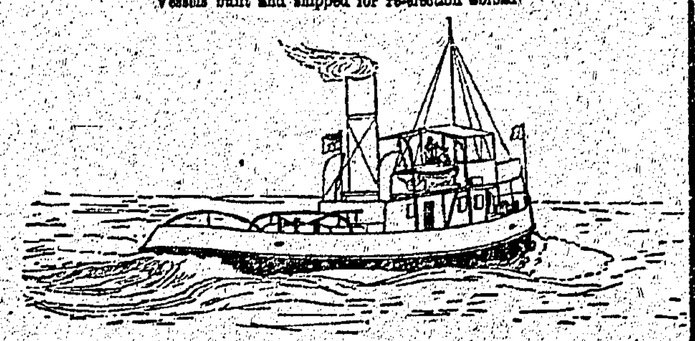

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"CITY OF CANTERBURY"	21st February	Marseilles, London, etc.	
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"CITY OF CAIRO"	18th April	Do.	

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s.s. "COLORADO"	...via Suez Canal	...	4th Jan., 1924.
s.s. "PELEUS"	...via Suez Canal	...	15th Jan. "

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CHAMBORD	—	—	24th Dec.
PAUL LECAT	—	—	7th Jan., 1924.
ANDRE LEBON	16th Nov.	20th Dec.	21st Jan., "
AMBOISE	30th Nov.	3rd Jan.	4th Feb., "
CORDILLERE	14th Dec.	17th Jan.	18th Feb.

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"SOUDAN"	6,696	12th Dec., Noon.	S'pore., Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"DEVANHA"	8,092	14th Dec., Midnight	Mars., London & Antwerp.
"KAISAR-I-HIND"	11,430	29th Dec.	B'bay., Mars., Gib., L'don. & A'werp

1924.

"KHIVA"	9,097	12th Jan.	MARSEILLES & LONDON via Usual Ports of Call.
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	26th Jan.	
"KASHGAR"	8,840	9th Feb.	do.
"MOREA"	10,911	23rd Feb.	do.
"KARMALA"	9,098	8th March	do.
"NALDERA"	15,893	22nd March	do.
"KHYBER"	9,014	5th April	do.
"CHINA"	7,952	19th April	do.
"KALYAN"	9,118	3rd May	do.
"KASHMIR"	8,960	17th May	do.
"KHIVA"	9,097	31st May	do.

BRITISH INDIA - APCAR SAILINGS

"TANDA"	6,956	13th Dec., 1 p.m.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TAKADA"	6,949	23rd Dec.	do.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"ARAFURA"	6,000	5th Jan.	Manila, Thursday Island, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	2nd Feb.	
"EASTERN"	4,000	27th Feb.	

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"MACEDONIA"	11,089	15th Dec., 10 a.m.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	8,840	29th Dec.	do.
"TORILLA"	5,205	29th Dec.	do.
"SICILIA"	6,813	5th Jan.	Shanghai.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	8th Jan.	Moji & Kobe.
"MOREA"	10,911	12th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KARMALA"	90,98	26th Jan.	do.
"SOUDAN"	6,696	1st Feb.	Shanghai.
"EASTERN"	4,000	2nd Feb.	Moji & Kobe.
"NALDERA"	15,993	9th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KHYBER"	9,014	23rd Feb.	do.
"CHINA"	7,952	8th Mar.	do.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	8th Mar.	Moji & Kobe.

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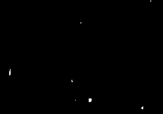

S.S. "GAELIC PRINCE"	... ...	9th Jan., 1924.
S.S. "GOTHIC PRINCE"	... ...	28th Jan., "

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SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

LONDON, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP—via Singapore Colombo, Suez and Port Said.
"AMUR MARU" ... ... Thursday, 13th Dec.

RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban and Capetown.
"PAOAMA MARU" ... ... Tuesday 8th Jan.

BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo.
"BURMA MARU" ... ... Thursday, 20th Dec.
"SHUNKO MARU" ... ... Tuesday, 25th Dec.
"BORNEO MARU" (Calls at Penang) ... ... Friday, 4th Jan.

SAIGON, SINGAPORE & BANGKOK
"BUSHO MARU" ... ... Wednesday, 2nd Jan.

CALCUTTA via Singapore & Rangoon.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER via Shanghai and Japan Ports.
"MANILA MARU" ... ... Tuesday, 8th Jan.

NEW YORK via Japan Ports, San Francisco and Panama.
"HAVRE MARU" ... ... Middle of Dec. from Shanghai.

JAPAN PORTS—Moji, Kobe, Osaka, Yokkaichi & Nagoya.
"HIMALAYA MARU" ... ... Sunday, 16th Dec.

KEELUNG via SWATOW & AMOY.
"KAJO MARU" ... ... Sunday, 16th Dec., 10 a.m.
"AMAKUSA MARU" ... ... Sunday, 23rd Dec., 10 a.m.

TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.
"SOSHU MARU" ... ... Thursday, 20th Dec., 8 a.m.

TAKAO & KEELUNG.
"BUSHO MARU" ... ... Sunday, 16th Dec.

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K. SHIMA, Manager. 9
Teleph. Nos. 4088, 4089 4090.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.

Ports	Steamer	Date of Departure
MANILA	"TAMING"	On 13th Dec., 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & PUKOW	"NEWCHWANG"	On 13th Dec., D.L.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"LUCHOW"	On 13th Dec., 4 p.m.
HAIPHONG	"YUNNAN"	On 15th Dec., 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SUIYANG"	On 16th Dec., D.L.
HOIHOW & BANGKOK...	"LINAN"	On 16th Dec., 10 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"YINGCHOW"	On 16th Dec., 4 p.m.
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE ...	"KIUNGCHOW"	On 17th Dec., D.L.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"SUNNING"	On 18th Dec., D.L.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWANGTUNG"	On 18th Dec., Noon.
SHANGHAI & PUKOW	"CHENGTU"	On 19th Dec., D.L.
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 19th Dec., 4 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI...	"SOOCHOW"	On 20th Dec., 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"LIANGCHOW"	On 22nd Dec., D.L.
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE ...	"KAYING"	On 22nd Dec., 4 p.m.

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SAILING SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

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TO MANILA AND P. I. PORTS.

U.S.S.B. "West Mahwah" ... ... Due Hongkong 15th Dec.
Leave Hongkong 17th Dec.
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Leave Hongkong 26th Dec.

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Telegraphic Communication with Waglan Light-house is interrupted.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Shanghai	*Shantung*	12th Dec.
Australia & Manila	*Yoshino Maru* ...	13th Dec.
Shanghai	*Soudan*	12th Dec.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	*Pres. Jefferson* ...	13th Dec.
Europe via Suez (Letters & Papers, London 15th Nov. and Parcels, 8th Nov. ... ...)	*Macedonia* ...	14th Dec.
U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	*Pres. Cleveland* ..	14th Dec.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date.	
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America, & *EUROPE via VICTORIA, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 9th Jan., 1924.	*Yokohama Maru*	Wednesday, 12th, Registration ... Letters ...	8.45 A M 9.30 A M
Manila	*Taming*		2.30 P M
Swatow	*Kasara*		2.30 P M
Shanghai	*Patroclus*		5.00 P M
Japan	*Yoshino Maru* ...	Thursday, 13th,	9.30 A M
Straits Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, South Africa, India via D'kodi. & Bombay	*Soudan*		10.30 A M
Straits and Calcutta	*Tanda*		12.30 P M
Swatow	*Hydrangea* ...		2.30 P M
Saigon	*Haiyang*		2.30 P M
Swatow	*Taksang*		5.00 P M
Amoy	*Hoseng*		5.00 P M
Java via Sourabaya	*Tjisondari* ...	Friday, 14th,	10.30 A M
Bangkok	*Banka*		10.30 A M
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via D'kodi. Egypt & EUROPE via MARSEILLES—due Marseilles, 12th Jan.1924 Ship sails at midnight 14th Dec.	*Doenlua*	Parcels, ... Registration Letters	Noon 4.15 P M 5.00 P M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Haifoong*		Noon
Haiphong	*Yunnan*	Saturday, 15th,	8.30 A M
Shanghai	*Macedonia* ...		8.30 A M
Manila	*Yuensang*		9.30 A M
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, *Canada, *U.S.A. Central & South America, & *EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—due San Francisco, 11th Jan.	*Taiyo Maru* ...	Registration Letters	9.45 A M 10.30 A M
Straits and Calcutta	*Fooksang*		1.00 P M
Amoy	*Van Overstraten*		2.30 P M
Shanghai	*Suiyang*		2.30 P M
Manila	*Pres. Jefferson* ...		3.30 P M
Amoy	*Kiungchow* ...		5.00 P M
Hoihow and Haiphong	*Cheongshing* ...	Sunday, 16th,	8.30 A M
*Hoihow and Bangkok...	*Linan*		8.30 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Keelung... ...	*Kaijo Maru* ...		9.00 A M

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

COMMERCIAL.

OPENING QUOTATIONS.

11th December, 1923.

On London.—		
Telegraphic Transfer ...	...	2/3⅝
Bank Bills, on demand ...	...	2/3 11/16
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight ...	...	—
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	...	2/3⅝
Credits, at 4 months' sight	...	2/4 7/16
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	...	2/4 9/16
On Paris.—		
Bank Bills, on demand ..	—	940
Credits, 4 months' sight	...	1,000
On New York.—		
Bank Bills, on demand...	—	50⅛
Credits, at 30 days' sight	...	51⅛
On Bombay.—		
Telegraphic Transfer ...	}	162
Bank Bills, on demand...		
On Calcutta.—		
Telegraphic Transfer ...	}	162
Bank Bills, on demand ...		
On Shanghai.—		
Bank Bills, at sight ...	}	nom.
Private, 30 days' sight ...		
On Yokohama.—On demand	—	107
On Manila.—On demand ...	...	101½
On Singapore.—On demand	...	98
On Batavia.—On demand ...	—	134½
On Haiphong.—On demand	}	nom.
On Saigon.—On demand ...		
On Bangkok.—On demand...	...	80⅜
Sovereign, Bank's Buying rate	...$	8.45
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, per tael	...	—
Bar Silver, per oz. ...	...	33 1/16

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For the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation,
A. G. STEPHEN,
Chief Manager

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A. H. FERGUSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, May 8th, 1922. [31

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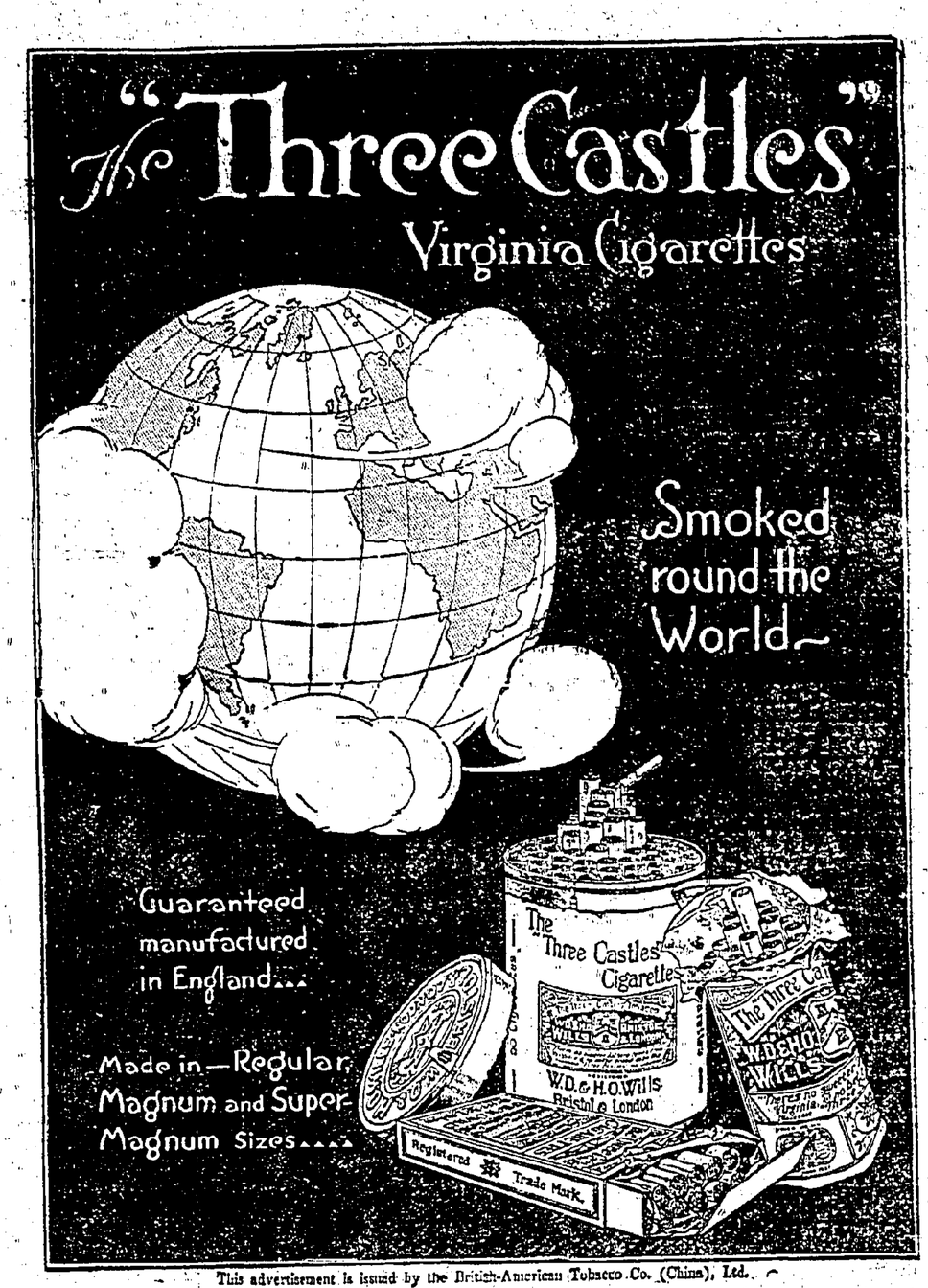
S. KONDOH,
Manager.

Hongkong Branch,
4, Des Vœux Road,
Hongkong, 15th September, 1923.



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ASIA BANKING CORPORATION

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT DEPOSITORY

CAPITAL ... ... U.S. $4,000,000

HEAD OFFICE—NEW YORK

Owned and controlled by a group of leading American Banks under control of Federal Reserve Bank and the New York State Banking Department.

General Banking Business.

BRANCHES:—

SHANGHAI, PEKING TIENTSIN, HANKOW, CANTON, MANILA, YOKOHAMA, SAN FRANCISCO AND HONGKONG.

D. M. BIGGAR,
Manager.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Head Office:
15, Gracechurch Street, London, E.C. 3.

Authorised Capital ...	£3,000,000
Subscribed Capital ...	£1,800,000
Paid-up Capital	£1,050,000
Reserve Fund	£1,200,000

BANKERS
The Bank of England,
The London Joint City & Midland Bank, Ltd.

BRANCHES:

Bangkok	Galle	Kuala Lumpur
Batavia	Hongkong	Madras
Bombay	Howrah	New York
Calcutta	Kandy	Penang
Colombo	Karachi	Port Louis (Mauritius)
Delhi	Kota Bharu	
Rangoon		
Shanghai		
Simla		
Singapore		

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. H. FERGUSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, May 8th, 1922. [31

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE:—
No. 10, Des Vœux Road C.,
HONGKONG.
Established 1919.

Authorised Capital	$10,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital	5,000,000.00
Reserve Fund	500,000.00

DIRECTORS:
Mr. Pong Wai Ting, Chairman,
Hon. Mr. Chow Shou Son, Mr. Huynh Tai,
Mr. Kan Ying Po,
Mr. Li Koon Chun, Mr. Mok Ching Kong,
Mr. Fung Ping Shan, Mr. Wong Yun Tong
Mr. P. K. Kwok, Mr. Chan Ching Shek
Mr. Kan Chiu Nam, Mr. Ng Chang Lok.

Chief Manager ... Mr. Kan Tong Po,
Asst. Manager ... Mr. Li Tse Foug.

BRANCHES & AGENCIES:—	
LONDON	NEW YORK
PARIS	SAN FRANCISCO
SHANGHAI	YOKOHAMA
KOBE	SAIGON
NAGASAKI	PENANG
SINGAPORE	HANKOW,
TIENTSIN	BATAVIA
MANILA	SOURABAYA
SAMARANG	BOMBAY
CALCUTTA	CANTON

London Bankers:—The London Joint City and Midland Bank, Ltd.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Loans granted on approved securities.

Interest allowed on Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of Two per cent. per annum, on Savings Accounts Four per cent. per annum, and on Fixed Deposits at the following rates:—
For 3 months at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum
For 6 months at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum
For 12 months at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum

KAN TONG PO,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 26th, 1923. [24

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE, PARIS.

Head Office: 90, Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.

Subscribed Capital...	Frs. 72,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital	Frs. 68,400,000.00
Reserve Fund	Frs. 59,667,223.54

BRANCHES:

Bangkok	Hongkong	Saigon
Battambang	Mongtse	Shanghai
Canton	Noumea	Singapore
Djibouti	Papeete	Tientsin
Haiphong	Peking	Tourane
Hankow	Pnom Penh	Yunnanfu
Hanoi	Pondicherry	

BANKERS:

IN FRANCE: Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Crédit Lyonnais; Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas; Crédit Industriel et Commercial; Societe Générale.
IN LONDON: The National Provincial and Union Bank of England, Ltd; Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Crédit Lyonnais.
IN NEW YORK: J. P. Morgan and Co., French-American Banking Corporation; Guaranty Trusty Co., of New York.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits according to Arrangement.

Every description of banking and exchange business transacted.

C. E. GOY,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, October 1st, 1923. [32

YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

Capital (fully paid-up)	Yen 100,000,000
Reserve Fund	Yen 73,000,000

HEAD OFFICE: YOKOHAMA.
Branches and Agencies at

Batavia	Kobe	Soerabaya
Bombay	London	Rangoon
Buenos Ayres	Lyons	San Francisco
Calcutta	Los Angeles	Seattle
Changchun	Manila	Shanghai
Dairen (Dalny)	Nagasaki	Singapore
Fengtien (Mukden)	Nagoya	Shimonoseki
Hamburg	Newchwang	Sydney
Hankow	Osaka	Tientsin
Honolulu	New York	Tokyo
Harbin	Peking	Tsinanfu
Kai Yuen	Rio de Janeiro	Tsingtau
		Vladivostock

Interest allowed on Current Accounts.
Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

T. NISHIYAMA,
Manager.

Hongkong, 17th Sept., 1923. [39

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL MAATSCHAPPIJ.
(Netherlands Trading Society.)

Established 1824.

A. Capital	F. 100,000,000	£9,333,333
Paid-up Capital ...	F. 80,000,000	£6,666,666
Reserve Fund	F. 19,769,180	£1,647,432
Special Reserve ...	F. 22,660,000	£1,888,333

Head Office:—Amsterdam.
Branches at
The Hague:—Rotterdam.
Head Agency:—Batavia.
BRANCHES:—

Bandjermasin	Macassar	Shanghai
Bandoeng	Medan	Singapore
Bombay	Padang	Soerabaia
Calcutta	Palembang	Soerakarta
Cheribon	Pecalongan	(Solo)
Djember	Penang	Tegal
Djokjakarta	Pontianak	Tjilatjap
Kobe	Rangoon	Weltevreden
Kota-Radja	Samarang	

Correspondents at Colombo, Madras, Pondicherry, Bangkok, Saigon, Haiphong, Hanoi, Amoy, Yokohama, Melbourne, Sydney, New York, San Francisco, etc., etc.

London Bankers:—The National Provincial and Union Bank of England, Ltd.

The Bank buys and sells and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, issues letters of credit on its Branches and correspondents in the East, on the Continent, in Great Britain, America and Australia, and transacts banking business of every description.

W. H. GROSKAMP,
Agent.

Hongkong, August 14th, 1923. [37

THE BANK OF CHINA.

中國銀行

(Specially authorized by Presidential Mandate of the Republic of China on the 22nd of November, 1917.)

Authorized Capital	$60,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital	12,278,600.00
Reserve Funds	9,029,423.24

HEAD OFFICE:—PEKING.
HONGKONG BRANCH:—4, Queen's Road Central. Branches and sub-branches all over China, and Correspondents in Europe, America, and other parts of the world.
London Bankers:—The National Provincial and Union Bank of England, Ltd.
The Guaranty Trust Co of New York.
New York Bankers:—The Irving National Bank.
The Equitable Trust Co., New York.
Interest allowed on Current Account and Fixed Deposits. Terms on application.
Every description of Banking Business transacted.
Loans granted on approved securities.
Special facilities for Home Exchange.

TSUYEI PEI,
Manager.

Hongkong, September 8th, 1923. [22

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